

# **Superintendent's Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Wednesday, November 8, 2017**

## **Reminders:**

If anyone on the committee has a building-based question, please ask your building administrator first! They may be able to answer the question or solve the problem before it needs to come to the SAC!

## **Agenda Items**

### **HCPS 2018-2019 Budget:**

-The initial process begins after Thanksgiving, so everyone is strongly encouraged to get all of their requests in NOW for next year!!

-There are many factors that go into preparing the budget, and some of those will be changing this year on the state level. HCPS remains committed to keeping Professional Development as one of its focuses for teachers and staff.

-The budget will be voted on by the School Board in March and will hopefully be passed and completed by May after City Council takes action.

### **Substitute Teacher Shortage:**

-There is an idea being discussed that will pay teachers who use planning time to cover for an absent teacher 4 times to receive 1 day of substitute teacher pay. More details to come.

-Substitute teachers in HCPS are now called "Guest Teachers."

-Please refer anyone who may be interested in substituting for HCPS to your building administrators!

### **Division Initiative:**

-With the number of students struggling with learning behavior difficulties increasing, HCPS is discussing the idea of an alternative school offsite of other HCPS schools. The goal is to continue high expectations and for students to excel in a different learning environment. More details to come.

### **New High School:**

-The School Board and the City have agreed on a site for the new high school. The location will be revealed once final site and design proposals and requirements have been met. The goal is to have City Council vote on the new high school, its design and location, by the end of the year.

**Next SAC meeting: Wednesday, December 13, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. at McAlister's Deli.**

Please send any questions you may have to Lisa Knupp at [lknupp@harrisonburg.k12.va.us](mailto:lknupp@harrisonburg.k12.va.us) by Monday, December 11.