
Delton Area Business Forum
February 11, 2010
Focus: Facilities

Minutes

I. Welcome

Meeting began at 6:00 p.m. in the Delton Kellogg superintendent's office.

II. Introductions

Each person identified themselves by name and the business they represent.

Those present included the following:

- Sharon Keck - Thornapple Valley Credit Union
- Sandy Barker - Sajos
- Mick Barney - the Council for Facility Planners
- Dr. Joseph Roth - a local physician
- Drew Chapple - Chapple Realty
- Eric Pessell - Barry County Health Department and a future DK parent
- Christy Tegchelaar - Mid Lakes
- Mike Smith - Smith and Doster
- Wes Kahler - Barry Township Supervisor
- Paul Blacken - Asst. Supt of Delton Kellogg Schools
- Cindy Vujea - Superintendent of Delton Kellogg Schools
- Thang Nguyen – Director of Technology

III. Presentation of Long Range Strategic Planning Recommendations

Mick Barney and Eric Pessell reviewed the facility plans developed through the strategic planning process. Following the presentation, there was discussion about the current state of the facilities and the plans for the future. Cindy Vujea shared a PowerPoint presentation that identified the many positive accomplishments that have happened in the district this past year, in spite of the challenges the district has had in the area of finance. This slide show can be found on the district website (www.dkschools.org) under "Presentation to Senator Birkholz."

IV. Classroom of the Future

Mick Barney shared information about the *Classroom of the Future* being put in place in the middle school. Everyone was provided a copy of the list of supplies and equipment that have already been donated and those that are still needed. There was significant discussion about the learning needs (environmental, academic, and cultural) today as opposed to when they were in school. Everyone walked to the middle school to see the construction progress that has been made to date. There is still a significant need for donations to make the classroom complete (particularly in the area of technology). Information is available in the Superintendent's Office for those who are interested in making a donation.

V. Questions and Comments

Questions and comments were made throughout the meeting, rather than at this point in the agenda.

VI. Future Focus Group Opportunities

Another Business Leader Forum will be held in March with a focus on school finance. The date and time is to be determined. Cindy and Paul will again make personal visits to local businesses to provide them with the information.

Meeting ended at 10:00 p.m.