



LA CENTER SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 101 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**BOARD WORKSHOP
MINUTES**

**Tuesday, April 9, 2024
7:00 PM
HS Library**

Board Members Present: Dorri Oldham, Amanda Miller, Eric Lindberg, Samuel Glackler
Board Members Absent: Craig Whited
Superintendent: Peter Rosenkranz
Administrators: Michelle O'Neil, Matt Johnson
Staff and Guests: Ruth Schrock, Kevin Doyle
Minutes taken by: Tammy Lichliter

1. Kevin Doyle and Matt Johnson updated the board on the CTE Program:

Mr. Doyle updated the board on the funding of the CTE Program over the past several years. The CTE program is funded with federal funds mainly from the Perkins Grant and its reserve funds. In 20/21, we applied for and was awarded the Perkins Grant for \$4,378. Since the district was awarded funds through the Perkins Grant, we were able to apply for reserve grants and received an extra \$500 for student activities. The next year, the grant brought in a little less than \$4,000, but the reserve grant brought in \$3,500. In 22/23 the grant brought in \$5,500 and the reserve brought in \$13,000. This school year, the Perkins grant amount received was \$10,500 and the reserve grants award for non-traditional funding was \$5,000 and Core+ Construction was \$10,002. The district applies for grants each year and does not know how much will be received until the grants are awarded.

The district also brings in an extra .2 FTE for CTE students that is directed specifically toward the CTE program.

The CTE program allows students to receive dual credit opportunities. Every 5 years the classes offered have to be renewed through OSPI so that the program is kept up to date. The board would like a list of the new courses that were on the CTE list, even those that are not able to be offered. The district would like to continue grow the program so that more students opt to stay in La Center instead of going to Cascadia Tech or Running Start.

2. Ruth Schrock and Matt Johnson updated the board on the La Center Academy Program:

Mrs. Schrock said that the LC Academy program is also a program that helps to keep La Center kids in La Center. The trend this year is that there are more middle school students

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enrolled in La Center Academy than high school students. The Academy currently offers the program to students in grades 3-12. Before covid the Academy had more high school students that needed credit recovery classes and that didn't want to interact with other students. During covid, the program grew in student number quite a lot, but it is now back to similar numbers before covid. The program offers flexibility for those that aren't able to attend regular school because of work or medical issues. They are able to do the work online at their convenience.

Ruth added that some families have opted to utilize the program for their younger students instead of attending regular school because they have similar control of what their child learns as compared to home schooled students. They enjoy having the Academy as a resource and like the flexibility. Ruth added that to be successful at the La Center Academy, parents need to be learning coaches and have to check in daily with their kids to be sure they are keeping up with assignments. They need to have a place set aside for students to work on their assignments, and they need to print out the assignments and study guides.

Matt Johnson added that there are some LCA "hybrid" students that do a few classes at the high school and some at the Academy. Ruth added that normally students have to do at least 3 classes to enroll in the Academy, but an exception is made for seniors that may need the Academy for credit recovery options.

Mr. Lindberg said that he would like the program to be advertised more in the community so that families are aware of the option. He'd like the district to show the opportunities we have available to students instead of them opting to go offsite to programs such as Summit View or Team High.

As this was a workshop of the board, no action was taken.

Board Secretary- Peter Rosenkranz

Board Chair – Craig Whited

Board Member-Eric Lindberg

Board Member-Dorri Oldham

Board Member Amanda Miller

Board Member – Samuel Glackler