SUPERINTENDENT FORUM

February 12, 2013

Discussion Topics

- High School Cassels Field Bleachers / Press Box – discussion of replacement due to Hurricane Sandy. District has submitted claims with insurance company and FEMA.
- 2012-2013 Budget – discussion of process timelines and priorities.
- T-1 Program – suggestion to revisit program implemented in district in previous years when researching full-day kindergarten program.
- Full-Day Kindergarten – suggestion / discussion to look at a fee based full-day kindergarten program (wraparound program).
- Language Arts Program – Dr. Varley discussed Balanced Literacy instructional approach.
- Staff Professional Development – discussion regarding need, process and funding.
- Instructional Support Programs – discussion regarding need at elementary school grades.
- Special Education Programing – discussion and concerns regarding program curriculum and assessment being the same as general education with modifications.
- Curriculum Office Communication – discussion regarding need for ongoing communication regarding district programing and initiates.
- School District Communication – involved discussion regarding effective and efficient communication by school district. Strategy, purpose and policy discussed. Effective use of genesis in regards to letters, specifics of email (parent name address, student name, response required…), use of PDF attachments, once a week email folders, middle school teams weekly blasts, and need for public relations on an ongoing basis.

- Common Assessments – discussion regarding need for them to be returned to students for review and preparation of future assessments.
- Other discussion topics included homework, staff webpages, elementary school parent conferences, curriculum nights/fairs, and school security.

*Superintendent Forum discussion topics will be shared with District Administration Team and Board of Education.