



The Newport Board of Education held a work session on October 11, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. The meeting was held in the Board Room located at 30 W. 8th Street, Newport.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ramona Malone called the meeting to order and asked for a roll call. The following were present: Ramona Malone, Melissa Sheffel, Theresa Miller, & Matt Scott.

Also in attendance: Superintendent Kelly Middleton and other district administrators.

Ms. Malone asked those in attendance to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance and pause for a Moment of Reflection.

DISTRICT K-PREP DATA ANALYSIS

Ms. Gilkison distributed the following to board members:

- Public Data Release Information
- Public release data 2015-16 / 2016-17 comparison
- Kentucky Accountability at a Glance

The first document covered what the new accountability system shall include and what it will not consist of. The 2016-17 school year is a transition period and the new accountability model is expected to be effect in the 2018-19 school year.

The second document contained a comparison chart designed to help district and staff familiarize themselves with the components of the new system and help them determine how the 2016-17 reported results are comparable to results reported for 2015-16.

The third document is the latest *draft* of the new accountability system. The proposed accountability system has several key goals:

- Promote higher levels of student learning and achievement
- Reduce achievement gaps and ensure equity
- Establish opportunity and access for students to receive a quality education
- Build a culture of high expectations and continuous improvement
- Communicate a clear and honest understanding of strengths and opportunity for improvement in schools and districts

The system uses multiple academic and school quality measures, not a single test or indicator. An overall rating will be determined by setting standards for low to high performance on indicators. Performance levels are based on standards of excellence instead of a normative comparison of schools. KY educators will determine the performance required for each of five levels.

The final version of the accountability system should be completed by March 2018.

Ms. Gilkison distributed the district testing results. She reviewed achievement points, gap points, growth points, CCR points, and grad rate points. She then reviewed the 2016-2017 data analysis in reading, math, science, social studies, writing, and language mechanics for all buildings.

This year KASC distributed information for each district that uses graphs to compare test scores from 2015 – 2017 per school. These graphs make it visually easier to compare results from year to year.

Each building principal then presented their K-prep and MAP data for 2016-17 along with plans for improvement.

SUPERINTENDENT'S EVALUATION

Mr. Middleton said he would provide the board with his score on the 7 indicators used to indicate his progress along with evidence notes to support each area at the regular board meeting later this month. This is in preparation of his annual evaluation.

He also gave the board a quick pension update. He reported that educators need to keep pushing their agenda with legislators because it seems to be making a difference. We are educating those who do not fully understand the impact of their decisions not only on district finances, teachers, staff, and administrators but also on the students we serve.

He encouraged the board to attend Ron Clark's presentation on Monday, October 16 if at all possible. It will be a great day for Newport. Our schools have really bought into his ideas and are very excited with the changes taking place inside the walls of our buildings.

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM

Ramona Malone, Board Chair

Kim Klosterman, Secretary