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Blog – Where Would You Like to Meet?

Do you like coffee, cookies and great conversation? So do I, but my waistline tells me maybe I should forgo the cookies. My point is that I am interested in having conversations with you about the next superintendent, the upcoming referendum and any other educational topics that you would like to discuss. Now the question is, “where do you want to meet?”

At our October 16 Board of Education meeting, the Board will be scheduling community meetings to talk with staff, parents and community members about the next superintendent and upcoming referendum. However, I know from past experience that many people cannot always attend these meetings, but would still like an opportunity to have their thoughts, ideas and opinions heard. I am open to giving you a chance to express your thoughts and ideas in as many ways as possible.

I have asked Mr. Allen, our Junior/Senior High School Principal, to help me set up a meeting with our student council so that I can talk with them about not only these important matters, but also their thoughts and ideas for how we can make our schools an even better place to learn than it is now. I have set up staff meetings for the next three weeks, so that I and members of the Board of Education can sit down and talk with staff about the future of our school district and what can be done to make this an even better place to teach and live.

On Wednesday, September 27, I sent out a survey to students, staff, parents and community members about the qualities that they would like the Board to look for in their next superintendent and also about how the District communicates with students, staff, parent and the community. At this time, I am also starting to work on a survey about what people would like to see in our upcoming referendums. Knowing your thoughts will help me as I work with the Board to put together the most appropriate question(s) regarding our needs and how these needs can be met going forward.

Now back to my first thoughts, if you would like to meet with me to discuss your thoughts and opinions on the next superintendent, referendums or other school topics, I am more than willing to schedule a time to meet with you. I would also be willing to come to any service club meetings, Village or town hall meetings, or even sitting down with you and your neighbors at someone’s home to talk about what matters to you. The bottom line is that if you would like to talk with me, I am willing to listen - because your thoughts and ideas matter.

If you would like to meet, the best way to contact me is through email, I check my emails several times a day and promise to get back to you either that same day or the next day at the latest. My email address is wanderson@email.parkview.k12.wi.us. If you do not have the time to meet, but still have ideas that you would like to share, please send them to me and I will include them in my discussions with the Board. I look forward to hearing your thoughts and ideas because together great things can be accomplished!