## Kirtland BOF

# Student Learning & Achievement (SLA) 5/3/2023

03 May 2023 / START TIME 8:01 AM / END TIME 8:50 AM / KHS Cafe

# **ATTENDEES**

Scott Amstutz, Shannon Green(notes), Katy Nagaj, Chad VanArnhem & Jonathan Withrow

# **AGENDA ITEMS**

- 1. Meeting Minutes Approval for April. Approved 1). JW 2). SG
- 2. Grade 4 Science Presentations
- 3. Grade 5 Invention Convention Presentations
- 4. LEAF Programming
- 5. Parent Consent for Transportation-update
- 6. Public Comments
- 7. Adjourn





### **Grade 4 Science Presentations**

Cole Brimage presentation on DENSITY. Density=Mass/Volume. Does a tomato float? He used honey, dish soap and oil to demonstrate.

Sydney: Experimented with making liquid glow. Her results: Regular tap water does not glow, tonic water glows blue. Club soda does not glow. Highlighter water (made by taking backing off highlighter) glows because of phosphorescence.



#### **Invention Convention Presentations**

One student has made it to nationals, Nadija Mrva (now 6th grade). She made a Chicken Playground (she is presenting at May 2023 SB mtg).

Delaney Kothera invented the COOL CATCHER. She is a softball catcher and she invented a design to cool her protective chest plate with ice packs.

Naomi Blakenship, invented the space saving "Secret Seat." It is two chairs in one, saving on storage space.

#### LEAF Programming (Scott Amstutz)

Our counselors are very happy with the support that LEAF provides here at Kirtland. LEAF meets twice a year with each Senior student. Juniors also have meetings with LEAF to prep for Senior year. LEAF costs us \$7,500/yr. JW brought up the "College Now" program, not sure if that would be more beneficial?

LEAF: Beginning of year, weekly meeting with students, move to bi-weekly, saves hours to meet with students at end of the year that need help

Seek out each student (senior) twice a year; we have documentation of it.

- \*Future?
- \*Applications?
- \*Look for scholarships
- \*Helped very high achieving students that were seeking specific scholarships and national level
- \*Visit classrooms-explain what is coming and what to expect
- \*Offer financial aid night for parents; FAFSA; and explain what their services are
- \*Signups for individual FAFSA meetings
- \*They sit down individually with parents to complete the FAFSA.
- \*Juniors get help from LEAF:
- \*Junior internship days- work with groups of them

on how to look for scholarships (national)

- \*They pass along scholarships that are in student Google Classroom and in SCORE
- \*All juniors with have their FAFSA ID
- \*Cost of private vs. public
- \*Net price college calculator
- \*Some students meet monthly with her to get assistance with scholarships
- \*The more assistance needed, the more they help

Kids and families that don't know how to seek out help

- \*Kids that seek the help will give extra support
- \*LEAF provides a good partnership & support with our counselors.

College Now - it was suggested we look at CN=

not currently in Lake Co.

They are not as up to date with scholarships, ie-enrollment in Lakeland

LEAF knows more about Lake and Geauga Co.

We are available when needed; they do not seek out each individual students; is more of a resource

Mayfield and Beachwood were both with College Now-

Mayfield switched to LEAF this year

Beachwood switched as well.

#### Take Away regarding LEAF:

Counselors satisfied with services provided; financial aide support is needed that they provide; Meet individually with students twice a year individually to look at colleges, majors and scholarships:

Provide parent nights and individual support as needed;

Strong local knowledge to scholarships and Lakeland;

LEAF=More personalized than College Now

#### Parents Consent for Transportation-update

Our policy is that if kids aren't going to an extracurricular only a parent can take the child to an event. Or the parent can approach the Principal and get permission. Haven't had an issue yet. Some pieces of policy we aren't looking at are tennis at Lakeland, golf at St. Denis, club teams...

New form for summer 2023 (online), choice for parents to sign off. Working to have a list for coaches to keep track.

#### **Public Comments**

Katy Nagaj: KES looking at CKLA pilot. Comparing last year's K class that didn't have CKLA and this year's that did have CKLA instruction and will compare the data. We are hosting other schools that are interested in CKLA programs for their schools. Most of the visiting schools are blown away by our CKLA & science of reading instruction, they observe K, 1st & 4th..