Welcome and Introductions
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Update from Technology Department-Director Ross
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Building Belonging Award and Belonging Review
Day of the Child and Kindergarten Roundup-Pam Clayton
Ticket out the Door

Next meeting scheduled for: May 24th in the WWPS District Boardroom

The meeting began at 4:04 pm.

Present: Grace Ogoshi, Amy Kasenga, Jerry Cummings, Samantha Ruiz, Yolanda Herrera, Cesar Hernandez, Ian McDole, Melissa Santana, Cia Cortinas, Kathy Mulkerin, Amanda Trejo Perez, Carrie Givens, Virginia Romfh, Angela Hudiburg, Ruthell Martinez, Bill Erickson, Terry Trick, Sherri Klebe, Stacy Estes, Octavio Osorio, Ruben Alvarado, Brent Cummings, Jackie Borgonia, Julie Perron

After introductions, Amy K. introduced us to an UNO “Building Belonging” icebreaker that we played at our tables. She explained that this game could be used in multiple ways with students and/or staff.

Director Ross of our Tech Department reviewed the initiatives of WWPS Technology Department. The goal of the department, as it relates to students, is to provide equal access for curriculum, services and assessment. There are main initiatives including one to one, classroom voice amplification, connecting student data (EdFiO and Parent Square.

Julie shared information about “We All Belong Here,” focusing on the slides that introduce and explain the differences between integration, inclusion, segregation and exclusion. She also shared information about the Building Belonging Nomination form that will focus on student and student groups that are “building” belonging.

Cia Cortinas introduced COCOA, “Color Our Community on Awareness” and shared the activities that COCOA has implemented, as well as the little library showcase focusing on “joy” and people of color and the Juneteenth celebration. COCOA will be working with WWCCF to provide parents and students a chance to experience this joy with the little libraries, and plans to connect with other librarians as well.

Octavio Osorio gave us an update on Latino Club events, that they are planning for a May event, and that they recently had a Bluwood Ski Trip.

Pam Clayton shared information about the Kinder and Early Learning Roundup at the Fairgrounds, April 12 from 4-7 pm, and about the Day of the Child at Fort Walla Walla on June 3, 5-7pm. She encouraged anyone who would like to volunteer for the Day of the Child to let us know.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.