

**Madison Metropolitan School District
Madison, Wisconsin**

Art Rainwater, Superintendent

**Board of Education
Agenda: FINE ARTS TASK FORCE
April 30, 2007**

**Doyle Administration Building
545 West Dayton Street, Room 209
Madison, Wisconsin**

The meeting was called to order at 4:35 pm by Co-Chair Barbara Schrank.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rae Altira-Soncea, Deborah Bradley, Jane Doughty, Michelle Kaebisch, Anne Katz, Anne Lambert, Doug Marschalek, Katherine McCoy, John Robinson, Barbara Schrank, Mary Thurrell, Cinnamon Rudd-Haack

MEMBERS ABSENT: Eileen Potts-Dawson, Leotha Stanley, Richard Corley, Lisa Brown, Amanda Bodah, Eric Casper

STAFF PRESENT: Julie Palkowski, Sandra Bolles – Recording Secretary

Also present were Katie Kalmerton and Emily Villwock – UW Journalism students and Don Severson

1. Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Jane Doughty and seconded by Mary Thurell to approve the minutes of the Fine Arts Task Force meeting dated March 26, 2007. It was noted that Jane Doughty was present at the March 26, 2007 meeting. Motion to approve the minutes as correct carried unanimously by those present.

2. Public Appearances

There were no public appearances.

3. Demographic Data regarding Students who are Enrolled in the MMSD Fine Arts Program

Julie Palkowski presented a more detailed review of the demographic data presented at the March 26, 2007 meeting. There was a discussion of the current MMSD Fine Arts Program. It was suggested that the Fine Arts Task Force look at private schools and what they are offering. What are their statistics? They also want to look at other districts in other states. The Fine Arts Task Force would like to look at the demographics of the fine arts courses being taken. What are the skill levels necessary for a student to have prior, during, and after high school courses? Data presented had the number of participants in courses, not the number of students. One student may be taking two or three classes and therefore is being counted as two or three participants. The Fine Arts Task Force would like to see data from SAPAR and the other alternative programs.

4. Financial Data regarding the MMSD Fine Arts Program

(Written materials presented in advance: ART/BAND/ORCHESTRA/CHORUS ALLOCATION. Written materials presented at the meeting: MMSD Art and Music Financial, FTE & Enrollment Information, dated 4/30/07. All attached to the original of these minutes.)

Barbara Schrank presented financial information for the MMSD Fine Arts Program from 2003-04 through the proposed 2007-08 school years. She compared dollars spent vs. teacher FTE vs. enrollment numbers.

5. Next Steps that the Fine Arts Task Force will take to respond to its Charge

(Written materials presented in advance: Fine Arts Task Force Worksheets. Worksheets with an additional column were copied and distributed at the meeting.)

Jane Doughty discussed the use of three worksheets to address the three charges given the Fine Arts Task Force. The members discussed who makes up the community: students, families, school community, community leaders.

The Fine Arts Task Force members will work on filling out the first two columns of the worksheets: What do we need to know and what information is needed? They will e-mail their worksheets to Julie Palkowski by May 14, 2007. She will compile the work for the next meeting on May 21, 2007.

6. Other Business

There was no other business.

7. Adjournment

It was moved by John Robinson and seconded by Mary Thurell to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm. Motion unanimously carried by those present.

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