LRSP Status Report – June 2011



1.01 Board P+ Communication SR 2011

Strategic Objective (SO):

1.01 The Proficient Plus (P+) Concept will be outlined and communicated with the BPS Education Team and the community.

Department/School: Board

Leader: Board Chair and Vice Chair

Team Members:

Bozeman School District #7 Trustees

In a year, we hope to see the following progress on this strategic objective:

Measurable progress toward Annual Measurable Objectives (CRT scores) for students in the Novice and Nearing Proficient ranges.

PROGRESS SUMMARY

Board members attended LRSP Reports (Board Luncheons) given by schools and departments with the intention of monitoring strategies to encourage outstanding student achievement and citizenship. The Reports were given on a weekly schedule from October to December and attendance was outstanding. Informal survey results upon completion of the Board Luncheons indicated that this format and timeline was effective in helping the Board monitor progress and understand implementation strategies. Trustees shared they felt much more connected to the work of the district and the impact of the LRSP on student learning.

Annual Measurable Objectives (AMOs) for the State Criterion Referenced Test (CRT) are in draft form and will be released in July. The Trustees receive background information and analysis of these test scores, as well as analysis of other multiple measures of student achievement.

The Board of Trustees continue to be informed about state and federal government's role in providing opportunities for Bozeman School students. Significant participation in the 2011 Legislative session lead to approval of SB 329 which provides funding for K-12 schools and also funds and establishes multi-district regional education cooperatives, a direct outcome of the work of the 4 Rivers Optimization Group. At the federal level the Trustees have supported reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (NCLB), full funding of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and more emphasis on rural school success.

Trustees have supported grant funding for a new Alternative to Expulsion (A2X) program intended to keep students in school. Further work on Pathways, Graduation Matters, and early childhood education support the P+ Concept.