### West Contra Costa USD L-M Solutions Team Meeting Joint Communication October 18, 2016

**Organizations Represented:** United Teachers of Richmond, Public Employees Local One, School Supervisors Association, West Contra Costa Administrators Association, WCCUSD Board of Education, District Superintendent's office.

# Roll-out of 1,500 Windows Notebooks

One thousand five hundred Windows notebooks will be delivered to the District in the next month. The District Technology Committee has been working for two years to bring a Windows tablet to each student in the District. The roll-out to the school sites will take place over the coming weeks and months. Each principal will work with their school site community to develop an implementation plan that is tailored to the needs of their particular school site. A pilot school, DeJean already has the Windows notebooks. They will share lessons learned from the implementation of the Windows tablets at their site. DeJean has developed Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) and will have other information to share with school sites. Some additional ideas for use of the Windows tablets include providing a Windows tablet to the principal's office for use by parent/guardians who do not have access to a computer at home. This could include the access to our future automation of registration and other informational websites for parent/guardians to help with their students' academic achievements and needs.

# WCCUSD joins Attendance Learning Network to improve attendance and student achievement.

Nine school districts were invited to participate in a peer learning network to improve attendance and student achievement. The initiative will look at best practices among school districts which are narrowing the achievement gap such as school districts in Oakland, Fresno and Palo Alto.

# Analysis of student performance after the first grading period.

After grades are submitted, the District will do an analysis to see where students have strengths and weaknesses and will look at trends so the instructional program can be more responsive to areas of need.

# Training for new principals on collective bargaining agreements

A question was raised about training on collective bargaining agreements for new principals. Collective bargaining contracts is a topic for the next New Principal's meeting.

#### Safety

On Friday, October 14, 2016 six schools in the District; Middle College, Gateway to College, Dover, Bayview, Lake and Verde, experienced a power outage. Ideas to improve the District's response included the purchase of emergency generators, walkie-talkies (one school did not have cell phone service) flashlights, and other provision such as food and rain gear. Gratitude was expressed for Michael Wasilchin, assistant superintendent for human resources-classified employees, for successfully delivering meals and snacks to affected schools and quickly garnering and dispatching available District resources.

#### LCAP Survey

Nia Rashidchi and Nicole Joyner from Educational Services asked the L-M Solutions Team to provide feedback on the LCAP survey. The intent of the survey is to provide information from various segments of the WCCUSD community on the efficacy of activities and services designed to help the District reach the stated LCAP goals. The survey will seek input from October 2016 to January 2017 and will inform next year's plan.

### Audit Oversight Committee appointment

There were 70 recommendations in the recently published School Bond audit. Among them is the creation of an Audit Oversight Committee to see that the recommendations are implemented. The Board requested that a representative of the L-M Solutions Team serve on this committee. Rhem Bell, UTR business agent, was appointed to serve on this committee as well as the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee.

**Next Meeting:** There were comments and questions from staff members from the September newsletter which were not discussed at the October meeting due to time constraints. They will be on the agenda as a priority for the November meeting.