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Winooski School Board of Trustees
Annual Board Retreat
Saturday, October 14, 2023, 8:30am – 4:30pm
WSD Library Learning Commons

Policy Title 1.0 Ends Statement: All students will graduate from the Winooski School District (WSD) college and career ready at a cost supported by a majority of the Winooski community. WSD students will lead healthy, productive and successful lives and engage with their local and global community.

1. **Call to Order:** 8:30 am
2. **Agenda Review and Adjustments:** None
3. **Public Comments:** None
4. **Governance Processes (Policy Section IV):** (8 hours)
 - a. Policy Title: 4.8 Governance Investment

1. Board Retreat:

- i. 8:30 Team Building and Tour (District team, 50 minutes)

*Members engaged in team building activities with the staff and took a short tour of the facilities.

- ii. 9:30 State of the Schools – Presentation from Schools and Departments (80 minutes)

*The management team presented current data and programmatic needs to the board. Members asked questions and engaged in discussion. No action taken.

- iii. 11:00 VSBA Training: "Roles Responsibilities, and Teamwork" (3.5 hours, including lunch)

*The VSBA consultant continued the training on Policy Governance and roles. The board engaged in discussion and analyzed scenarios together. No action taken.

- iv. 2:30 Preliminary Budget Parameters Reflection (Wilmer, 25 minutes)

*The superintendent asked the board to begin thinking about any limitations they may want to place on the management as they plan for a budget proposal. The board discussed and presented individual perspectives preliminarily. No action taken.

- v. 3:00 Community Engagement by the Board (Nicole, 50 minutes)

*Nicole led a conversation about community input especially as we move into budget season. The superintendent will convene a small committee to brainstorm more ways to engage the community, and will invite a couple of board members to join. No action taken.

vi. 3:50 Board Self Assessment (Discussion)

*Board self assessment postponed until further notice. Robert will communicate to the board with instructions.

5. Adjourn: 4:20 pm