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**Eden Prairie School Board
Community Linkage Committee Minutes
Wednesday February 17th, 2021
12:00 PM via Zoom Conferencing**

Charter per Board Policy GP 4.8: This committee will facilitate multiple methods of School Board communication with owners that provide input and inform the School Board of ownership values as they relate to School Board policies, as well as provide valuable information to owners.

Committee Members Present: Debjyoti Dwivedy, Kim Ross, CJ Strehl

District Attendees: Note: DD had to leave about 45 minutes into the meeting due to activity duty orders.

Agenda:

1. Approval of Agenda
2. Approval of the minutes
3. Round robin: Voices from the community
4. Committee report summary
5. Working Plan:
 - a. Ideas
 - b. Priority
 - c. Ownership
 - d. Action items/deadlines
6. New Business
7. Adjournment

Called to order 12:07pm Central

Agenda approved unanimously.

Round Robin:

DD: Has been on active duty, not much to add.

Kim: Look for opportunities to find connections with local community organizations, news organizations.

CJ: Having meetings with constituents in the city, attempting to lay groundwork for some great mixer/meet and greet opportunities.

Committee Report summary: The CLC recommends that: In order to improve the ability of Eden Prairie residents to follow policy discussions that extend from school board meetings to workshops, "The Eden Prairie School Board instructs the Board Clerk to provide workshop summary notes." The clerk will be responsible, in their judgement, to summarize these policy discussions when applicable. These will be provided at the following school board meeting and submitted for the record alongside prior meeting minutes for approval.



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Working Plan:

Worked to establish prioritization and ownership. Expect committee members to give thought and interest and provide feedback. Will look for feedback from full board at meeting.

New Business/General Discussion:

Improving board communication its role/responsibility in oversight/governance. Talked about how the agenda could be positioned to support this end. Looking for ways to encourage more public and board debate around issues in the community. Agreed to share initial work on agenda with Board Development, as that committee might be better positioned to drive change in this area. CJ to follow-up with Adam.

School Board Workshop

Purpose: To document the summary of the discussion that took place in the workshop to follow the continuity of discussion going into a business meeting.

Exceptions: We should NOT record - "Who Said what".

Why Summary?

Whatever we document is subject to data request. The objective of this documentation is not to have anyone on record but to have a summary which can serve as a memory refresher for internal and external stakeholders for business meeting. So, the committee recommends to note down summary of individual topics discussed in the workshop which CAN be added in the board packet for the following business meeting.

Who is Responsible?

Broader discussion needs to happen on if Brenda can be a resource of that with the help of the Clerk.