

# Chinese Immersion Task Force

## meeting agenda



**19 September 2023 | 4:00 - 5:30**

Board of Education Room | District Office  
15020 Metcalf Avenue

**Members present:** Melissa Bayouth, Stephanie Byard, Jeff Hurst, Lori Ann Ramsey, Melody Shaw, Slone Sandmoen, Michael Ganheart, Carrie Myers, Heather Astill, Andrea Duffy, Claire Pan, Matt Wachel, Jenny Cheung, Marisol Cantu, Jim McMullen, Courtney Carlson, Elaine Liou, Melissa Clark, Melissa Hansen, Kelly Ott, Jennifer Luzenske, Katie Collier, Kaci Brutto, Eric Punswick, Tonya Merrigan

**Members Absent:** Moi Mooi Lew, Kristin Ray, Jessica Tavelli, Gina Knapp

### **Welcome Back & Today's Agenda**

Task force members were welcomed by Kelly Ott. The meeting started with a review of norms and goals including:

- Continue to evaluate ideas for proposed options
- Identify and discuss commonalities and ideas with broader support
- Hear from district administrators about the viability of ideas
- Narrow down ideas with which to move forward

### **Data Review**

The task force spent time reviewing data from the August meeting, looking at the individual survey data collected after the meeting and discussing information learned thus far about where there is consensus.

Data was reviewed in four areas:

- Entry point
- Location/site(s)
- Type of program
- Other

The data review included table group discussion and whole group share out.

### **Our Ideas & the Non-Negotiables**

Kelly Ott shared that top ideas from the August meeting had been evaluated against the non-negotiables—core curriculum prioritized, fully staffed with appropriate licensure, school site, fiscally responsible and language proficiency/AP test. These assessments were

shared with the task force and the viability of options was reviewed. Table groups discussed insights from the assessment and questions that remain. Whole group discussion centered around what the task force learned from the assessment.

### **High-Leverage Ideas**

Task force members reviewed high-leverage ideas that both have some level of consensus from the group and viability from an administrative standpoint. Ideas that were presented by the group as having consensus include:

- 50/50 immersion program
- Mandarin speaking IDC

Additional ideas that were discussed that require additional analysis and task force collaboration include:

- One site with a kindergarten start
- First grade start with a Mandarin special for those intending to enroll in the Chinese Immersion program
- Two sites

### **Future Planning & Closing**

Kelly Ott thanked the task force for their work reviewing data and assessment of ideas. Task force members were asked to complete a survey in the coming week that further considers the sustainability and support of each idea shared during whole group dialog.

Task force members were reminded that meeting notes and supporting documents will be sent on Fridays following task force meetings. All task force information will also be available on the task force web page.

The next meeting is scheduled at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, October 24.