Meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m.

Dr. Ty Harting welcomed everyone and new members introduced themselves to the Committee.

**Technology – 1:1 Initiative – Update:**

Mike Ryan reported on the status of the 1:1 Initiative which means one piece of technology per student. The 1:1 Initiative Committee has been meeting over the past several months and has broken down into the following subcommittees:

- Rollout Committee – recommending to begin Phase I in August 2015 by delivering devices to select teachers (probably in freshmen classes); Phase II in January 2016 by delivering devices to the students in the select classes and Phase III in August 2016 (rollout to be determined).
- Device Committee - has studied and researched and gone into different schools to view how the devices are being implemented. Basically comes down to two types of devices: tablets vs. laptop/chrome book. There are pros and cons to each device.
- Cost Committee – things to consider: rent to own, school purchases and students return at end of year or students buy devices outright.
- Professional Development Committee – making sure teachers are properly trained and ready to incorporate the devices in their instruction.
- Support Committee – support for students and for teachers. (ie. students: device breaks or doesn't work or teachers: where to go for support and get questions answered on a daily basis)
- Policy Committee – need rules and regulations regarding how devices will be used.
- Infrastructure Committee – the wiring etc. that gets devices working

The next 1:1 Initiative Committee meeting will be held on May 12 at 4:00 p.m. in the Academy. The Committee will seek an agreement on which device to recommend to the Superintendent and the Board for approval. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact a building administrator or Mike Ryan.

**Friends of Community District 218 Foundation – A Call for Volunteers!**

Dr. Harting distributed a brochure regarding the Friends of Community High School District 218 Education Foundation. Through staff donations and special events held throughout the year, the Foundation awards scholarships to the students as well as mini-grants to district teachers in order to further education in the classroom. The Foundation is currently seeking volunteers that would like to give back to their community and help raise money to make things better for the students and the schools in the district. If anyone is interested in volunteering, becoming a trustee or has any ideas/thoughts they would like to share, please contact Karen Hill at 708-424-2000 x2500 and your information will be forwarded to the Foundation.

**Family Engagement and the Strategic Plan:**

Dr. Anne Coffman distributed an excerpt from the Illinois State Board of Education’s Family Engagement Standards of Effective Practice which was developed to provide guidance to educators, districts, schools, families, and communities as they plan, implement, and evaluate family engagement strategies. All of the Standards fall under the following four principles:
• Develop a Family Engagement System
• Build a Welcoming Environment
• Enhance Communication
• Include Parents in Decision Making

Breakout sessions ensued amongst the tables. After selecting two standards from their respective principle, each table considered the following questions for discussion:

• How are we doing with this standard at our high school?
• How do you know - what examples of actions related to this standard can you provide?
• What other actions could be taken in the future to address this standard?
• What would be needed to make this standard more visible and meaningful at our high school?

Each table presented their highlights and views to the rest of the committee. In general, it was agreed that it is key to have a shared responsibility between district and parents and continued discussion is encouraged.

Other:

The first induction of the Spanish Honor Society and French Honor Society was held recently at each school across the district. Kudos to all those who worked so hard on this well attended event.

The Young Hearts for Life program was recently held at Richards and will be held at Shepard and Eisenhower in October and February, respectively. This program offers each student the opportunity to receive a free EKG which could potentially save someone’s life. This is an excellent example of how the schools and community can work together to make a difference.

The meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Members Present:

Board Members: Karen Burmeister
Parents: Patty Basta
            Amanda Castillo
Administration: Dr. John Byrne
                Dr. Ty Harting
                Dr. Anne Coffman
                Dr. Kathy Gavin
                Mike Ryan
                Josh Barron
                Justin Clark
                Joe Fowler
                John Hallberg
                Steve Proper
                Gary Rauch

Teachers: Justin Antos
           Sam Bacino
           Jim Benes
           Nancy Broderick
           Renee Eller
           Jim Hart
           Cesar Nava
           Cora Umecker

Submitted by: Mary Lyons