

SAF Updates

The meeting began with updates on budget issues for the North Region, mentioning a district-wide freeze and potential staff cuts. Improved testing scores and discussions on Spanish education and speech services were also noted. Emphasis was placed on meeting etiquette and errors in the meeting minutes led to tabling their approval.

A discussion took place on the shortage of school psychologists and social workers, and after considering systemic issues and differences between 504 plans and IEPs, the motion was withdrawn for further data collection.

During the open forum, concerns included limited planning time for teachers, restrictive testing windows, inadequate PA speaker coverage, issues with substitute clinic staff, and visibility of student financial obligations.

A motion passed for the District to ensure visibility of student obligations in FOCUS and create a parent notification process.

Updates included:

- Food & Nutrition: Addressing district meal charge procedures and transitioning charges to student obligations with inconsistent parent notification practices.
- Redefining: Review of recommendations for school consolidations, with no North Area schools approved for closures
- SAC Funding: Concerns about accelerated funds and confusion surrounding SAC funds, staff bonuses, and benefits deductions.