Big Hollow SD 38

Big Hollow Middle School
Strategic Planning: Session 1
September 10, 2009

5:30– 6:00 — Introductions and Conversation

6:00– 6:15 — Overview and Expectations

- What do you hope will happen tonight and next Thursday?
- My role/ Your role
- How will we work together?

6:15 – 7:30 — Underlying Values and Beliefs

- Small group work to uncover and articulate the underlying values and beliefs that will guide goal setting and decision making:
- What do we value and believe about:
  - Students and learning?
  - Teachers and teaching?
  - About the responsibility of the school to the community and vice-versa?

7:30 – 7:45 — Break

7:45 – 8:30 — Revisiting Mission and Vision

- Let's review the mission statement(s) for the district.
  - Does the mission statement accurately reflect our unique purpose?
  - If our district didn't exist, is this why we would create it?
  - Does it answer, in the broadest sense, the question "What benefits will be provided for our students?"
- What aspirations and expectations do we have for our community and schools? (Vision)
  - Does it take you in the direction of "where you want to be five years from now?"
  - Is the vision inspirational? What does it say to those within your school district? What does it say to the greater community?

8:30 – 9:00 — Session 2 Overview & Wrap up