HSA Meeting 2-24-16

Members Present: Patrick Johnston, Kelly Barker, Krista Flagg, Rosario Mollo, Cindy Hanson, Jeff Horton, Megan Larsen, Kristi Wietecha, Josh Westphal, Jen Wernau, Rob Warneke, and Dorothy Walston

Guests Present: PJ Smith

Note taker: Dorothy Walston

Agenda:

- 1. Data Review (data coaches) Rosario and Kathy did not have any new information to share with the committee.
- Rob asked if anyone had a chance to review the information that came out from MDE on Monday regarding the Grad alignment. It was mentioned that this might be good to share at the World's Best Workforce meeting.
- 2. Strategic plan check-in (guest presentation: Josh Westphal, curriculum coordinator)
 - a. Initiative: "Ensure alignment of curriculum and assessment to state standards"
 - -Josh presented Moby Max, the new curriculum and assessment to align with the state standards, being used in K-8. The main focus of this online curriculum is math and ELA, but is not limited to these subjects. It has also added standard aligned curriculum in science and social studies.

Highlights of the program:

- -Easy for teachers and students to use
- -Not expensive for the school to train the teacher to use
- -One license for the whole school
- -Excellent helpline
- -Tracks the student's actual focus time on the program
- -Has incentives to motivate the students
- -Helps schools to track standards that may be weak in a grade level
- -Can be used by a teacher as an assessment tool for measurement according to meeting the standards
- -Mock trial state testing prep
 - b. Initiative: "Verify that local assessments are aligned to essential skills"
- -Josh: continuing to gather information regarding the standards that teachers have already taught or are planning to teach for the year. The team will look at standards and test scores.
 - 3. Innovation Grant presentation, if applicable
- -Cindy Hanson presented the Osmo iPad System. The system uses the iPad camera to read the action on the table. The set includes tangrams, numbers, and word games. The iPad will

provide musical tones and visuals for feedback to the players. Cindy will offer it to the various grades, starting with kindergarten.

-P.J. Smith presented his 4 beautiful marionette dolls, used in his Humanities class. P. J. related how his students are enjoying using the dolls to act out stories, especially high school boys who otherwise might be reluctant to act out a part.