

April 1, 2021

USD 345 School Community:

In March, our USD 345 Board of Education gave me the directive to assemble an advisory committee, with the assistance of the Kansas Leadership Center, to help resolve the district namesake question. This advisory group will decide the overall timeline for the namesake initiative and will guide opportunities for the community to engage productively in an efficient and healthy process. The work of the committee is not to decide or recommend a decision to the board, but to guide and engage the community in a healthy process of discernment and learning so that the BOE can make the best decision possible.

I am excited to announce the 10 volunteers who will help our school community through this process. It is my hope that every walk of life in our community will see themselves, or viewpoints reflected in the various members of this committee. While there are different perspectives represented within this committee, all members have one thing in common--they are all Seaman High School alumni who care deeply about our school community. I believe we have a well-balanced group of individuals who have graciously committed to put in the time and effort necessary to guide and engage our community in a strong, healthy, and efficient process.

District Namesake Advisory Committee

Amy Calhoun, Class of 2004

R.D. Cogswell, Class of 1988

Eric Curls, Class of 1985

Corey Dehn, Class of 1995

Yvonne Etzel, Class of 2001

Paula Frey, Class of 1988

Stephanie Konrade, Class of 1983

Curt Lewis, Class of 1975

Olivia Oliva, Class of 2022

Michelle Stubblefield, Class of 1984

Throughout this process, everyone in our school community will have an opportunity to engage. All updates and information will be available on the district website under the Board of Education tab. Please check [this page](#) as it will be updated with new information as it becomes available.

Thank you again to our volunteers and our school community. I know we all care deeply about USD 345 and I believe we will come out a stronger community as a result of this process.

Sincerely,

Dr. Steve Noble  
Superintendent

