



## **Citizens Advisory Committee**

**December 9, 2019**

**6:30 pm – 8:30 pm**

### **Present:**

Katie White	WMES
Mark Pietuszka	Moton
Kerry Gunshenan	SMES
Sherye Nickerson	Dobson
Maggie Gowe	SMMHS
Helga Einhorn	TCEC

Dr. Einhorn summarized progress in the budget process including the presentation of the draft budget at the December Board of Education meeting.

The committee engaged in extensive conversation regarding the calendar options put out for public comment. Committee members support post Labor Day start but did not endorse a particular calendar option beyond that.

Dr. Einhorn shared School and District Report Card information. This included an overview of the individual school star ratings and the addition of MISA and survey information this year. The committee discussed improvement efforts as well as budget challenges for addressing areas of need.

Committee members shared the following updates:

- Moton PTO Touch a Truck event was a success
- SMES and Moton both reported positive feedback on Echo Hill
- Concerns expressed regarding teacher and substitute shortage
- Discussion regarding assessment standards in the early grades

Next meeting is scheduled for **February 3, 2020** at 6:30 p.m. at TCEC.