

SAC Meeting

September 27, 2017

3:45 PM

BES Media Center

Members Present: Colleen Lord, Vicki DeGroat, Lorri Dior, Danielle McCabe, Tracey Segal, Rhonda James, Ben Folger, Cliff Melvin, Julie Baker, Gilda Brown, Susan DeITufo, Reetu Haave

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Call to Order: Vicki DeGroat at 3:50 PM

Agenda items: Colleen Lord presented the following handouts:

Social Emotional Learning

A+ money from state for A rated schools

Aug 30, 2017 Meeting Minutes: approved by Ben Folger and 2nd by Cliff Melvin. All in favor.

Topic: Kagan Training, Colleen Lord

- Lakeland, FL on 10.13.2017 one teacher from each grade attending:
 - Evans, Simmons, Kingston, Brescia, Riley, Baker
- Attendees to apply in classroom, train peers during early release days based on meetings with Dr. Lord.

Topic: Fifth grade teacher position, Colleen Lord

- Teacher will start 2nd week of October.
- BES does hiring pending district approval
- Long distance candidate interviewed during time IRMA fell thru
- FTE week of 10/10-10/13 state snapshot of class allotment: 5th will not meet standard
 - Goal to have new hire in place by then as to avoid substitute as placeholder to minimize disruption.

Topic: Rescheduling due to IRMA, Colleen Lord

- Casual for a Cause date 10/5
- Donuts for Dad date TBD -- families still adjusting

Topic: IRMA BES clean up, Colleen Lord

- District sent assistance to clean up major foliage/debris
- Additional custodial help sent in for 1st week back from IRMA
- Damage: roof leak in an older building (to be repaired TBD), new building roof leak in stairwell has been repaired.
- Ben Q: website and phone are standard methods of updates with text coming

Topic: School Improvements Goals and Resources Outline, Colleen Lord

Goal 1: Prepare students for the future: Higher order thinking and depth of knowledge

- McCabe suggested use of software for coding in grades K-5 as it is a big item up north. Currently, we have 1:1 for 5th grade, Mrs. Brasum uses code training, and Hour of Code
- Julie Baker suggested Media center time may be used to incorporate more coding time as they have the computers
- Colleen Lord suggested that it needs to be visited with an eye towards making sure we incorporate literacy standards and that there are toehr programs such as Lego Robotics etc.
- Ben Folger posed the question: what is the process from thought to implementation of ideas: SAC ideas, grade level teacher discussion, discussion with specific area staff, requirements analysis (i.e. items to purchase), SAC/PTA funding

Goal 2: PLCS – data driven action

- High performers → keep the momentum, lower performers → develop support
- New strategies like Kagan formative assessments

Goal 3: Positive Behavior Intervention Support (PBIS) focus- what should be done right

- Susan DeTufo outlined: cultural competencies, tier 2 – picture based problem solving with teacher, district wide character counts, tickets, class complements, school store – items for which the kids work
- Julie Baker suggested: patrols help with school store
- Vicki DeGroat discussed: PTA Pro Kids Assembly on 2/1/2017 focused on character counts with a magic show. 2 daytime assemblies and 1 evening assembly.
- Colleen Lord reiterated: Promoting the positive and recognizing students as important.

Topic: Social Emotional Learning Handout, Collee Lord

- Emphasis on self management as a way to deescalate behavior: stress management, impulse control, to reduce classroom issues.
- Present to parents as a concern for child safety in middle school, we are on your side approach.

- Complete draft has been uploaded and will be reviewed by 11/1, please give us your comments
- For example, Dr. Chu was mentioned by Megan Brescia as a good resource

Topic: A+ money

- Susan DeTufo suggested we should hear by end of October, then teachers will vote and SAC can approve
- Colleen Lord outlined process: state awards certain amount of money to A schools and schools who increased their grade.
 - Past conflict between admin and teachers as to who should be awarded the money; therefore, both admin and teachers and involved. Vote includes teachers, support staff, grade level chairs and union reps.
 - Teachers are biggest influence on higher scores; therefore, they tend to get the higher percentage of the money (for example, \$700-\$900 per staff member as per the state – based on student count, prior year teachers (incl retirees) usually get 75-80% and the rest goes to support staff.)
 - SAC will review the results of the vote and either approve or rarely go back for another option
 - By 11/15 submit to district and \$ in paychecks by 12/1

Open Agenda:

- Day of Caring:
 - 10/14 at BES will be patio and bricks as discussed.
- Julie Baker: When does Moonshot Academy start?
 - Susan DeTufo: Moonshot is being funded at BES and it is for kids with FSA scores of 1 and 2 with potential for higher. Invites are extended to 1st – 3rd grades. Looking for teachers to help with 1st semester. We have teachers for 2nd semester. 3 days a week – Tue, Wed, Thu. Bethany requested 40 ppl bus and can change that request.
 - Danielle McCabe: Moonshot will not start before 2nd week of October bc permission slips have to go out.
 - Julie Baker: Is there room on the bus for 4th and 5th graders as Mr. K will help out as well for 2 days a week. 1st semester – add 20 5th graders to Moonshot Academy bus. 2nd semester - can SAC fund bus and add 4th graders?
 - Colleen Lord: lets firm up bus info and determine pay for teachers taking on 4th and 4th graders. Can SAC fund Basketball and tutoring?
 - Mr. K chimed in: if we cannot participate in tournament per Mrs. Teske, we can do our own.
 - Danielle McCabe: FYI Track conflict in the spring
 - Tracey Segal: What is cost of bus? What is cost of teachers? And does SAC have funds? When we will be getting additional funds from the state? Also, Mrs. Baker

and Mr. K can start discussing upcoming implementation with parents during 5th grade parent conferences.

- Colleen Lord: 1st semester no Bus \$ needed but we can look to fund teachers for twice a week from 4pm-6pm
- Colleen Lord: Next Meeting date 10/11/2017
- Tracey Segal: Chipotle Night 9/27/2017

Motion to Adjourn: Vicki DeGroat at 4:45PM – approved by Julie Baker, 2nd Lorri Dior. All in favor.