

Fellsmere Elementary

January 19, 2017

SAC Minutes

Meeting called to order at 3:45 pm. Mr. Chico seconded the motion.

SAC members reviewed and approved the minutes from the last meeting (November 2016). Ms. Gurklis motioned for approval of the minutes and Mr. Chico seconded the motion. Mrs. Garcia also mentioned (in regards to the burglary incident that occurred in November) that the people involved in the theft have been found and reprimanded.

Parent Involvement Surveys- The SAC members reviewed the results from the parent involvement survey that was administered. Per the results, agendas are the most favored form of communication. Parents noted that they would be more available to attend events in the evening (5:00-7:00 pm). The results showed that parents would like to be involved with the school by being a part of the classroom.

A+ Money Vote- Mrs. Garcia reviewed the staff vote that occurred from January 9th-13th. The staff voted to use the money for "nonrecurring bonuses to the faculty and staff." The vote also reflected a desire to give this money only to returning employees of Fellsmere Elementary from the 2015-2016 school year, including retirees from 2015-2016. The SAC committee reviewed the options provided. Ms. Hulings, Mr. Chico, Ms. Gurklis, and Ms. Walsh all voted "yes" in favor of the results. *There were 2 non-voting members present as well (Mrs. Garcia and Mr. Blanco).

Benchmark Data- Mrs. Garcia presented the results from the latest benchmark testing. According to the data, our school was below the district average by 5 points, except for 5th grade (slightly above the district average). In reading, the school was within 5 points of the district average; 4th grade showed a 17% increase.

Literacy Week- Literacy Week will be occurring January 23rd-27th. There will be a variety of activities daily.

Monday- Poetry contest; literacy oath

Tuesday- Word of Words ("WOW") vocabulary; reading photo op

Wednesday- Reading buddies; "Reading Rainbow" district initiative in cafeteria

Thursday- Guest readers from community

Friday- Wear crazy socks; "Literacy on the Lawn" district initiative

Parent Involvement Calendar- Mr. Blanco presented and reviewed the parent involvement calendar for the 2nd semester. The calendar is available in English and Spanish and provides opportunities for parents to be involved.

School Report Card- Overall, Fellsmere Elementary's school grade for 2015-2016 moved from a "D" to a "C". There were increases in parent satisfaction and teacher attendance. There were decreases in student attendance.

Mr. Chico motioned to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Ms. Hulings. The meeting was adjourned at 4:02 pm.