

SAC MINUTES NOVEMBER 12, 2015

Attendance:

Faculty/Staff Members:

Diane Fannin, Kristen Racine, Brett Hollinger, Elizabeth Gioffre, Margaret Kelly,

Parent/Community Members: Katherine Wolf, Claudia Aquino, Andrea Schulze, Ariel Geeraerts, Nicki Masse, Aleyda Hernandez, Magdadene Dieuvil, Sharon Wolf

Meeting called to order by Mrs. Fannin at 5:30pm

Mrs. Racine asked for approval of October 8, 2015 minutes. Minutes were approved no corrections.

Principal News- Mrs. Fannin gave breakdown of gains on District Benchmark testing for grades 3-5. Informed members that Bridget Lyons our Art teacher is the IRA Teacher of the Year for 2016 and also the one responsible for the art work seen around the school. Grade level newsletters are now going home on the first Tuesday of each month. Conferences are approaching. Report cards will go home ahead of time so that parents will have opportunity to review them prior to attending conference. K/1 report cards are still a work in progress. Collaborative teams discussed 1 way IRA SAC can support second grade.

Mrs. Fannin- Began discussion on Conscious Discipline Goal 2 of the IRA school improvement plan. Went around room to determine any prior knowledge members might have regarding CD. Committee then broke into collaborative groups to discuss the three components of CD (caring, connecting, problem solving). Groups focused on the seven skills of CD (Composure, Building, Assertiveness, Positive Intent, Empathy, Consequences).

Mrs. Racine -All classrooms have some or all of the structures associated with CD. Three year data from 2013-2015 shows a 59% decrease in discipline behaviors and referrals. There will be a professional CD trainer at IRA on November 18th to teach K/1 teachers how to use Feeling Buddies in classroom. Grades 2-5 professional Development will be based on results of teacher survey.

Mrs. Wolf shared events from 4th grade trip to Ballet. Because of positive student interaction at ballet IRA students have an open invite back.

Wrap up- Teacher request for resources

Next meeting December 10, 2015 at 5:30pm

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm