

DATE: Tuesday, January 16, 2018

PLACE: Storm Grove Middle School, Media Center

ATTENDEES: **Storm Grove:** Anne Bieber, Angie Herman, Elba Mendez, Sonya Bradley, Stephanie Smeltzer
Excused Storm Grove:
Parents / Business Partners: Dawn Dalton, Marie Gruber, Bob Hiller, John Young, Delayne Krenek, Tiziana Lahey, Bevohn Dougall
Excused Parents: Karen Deppe, Navini Coakley
Unexcused Parents:

MEETING SUMMARY: DISCUSSION / TOPICS

- 1) Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Angie Herman at 3:30 p.m.
- 2) Approval of October 2017 SAC Meeting Minutes: Tiziana Lahey made a motion to approve and Bob Hiller seconded to approve the October minutes.
- 3) Visitor / Newcomer Introductions. There is a new SAC member, Sharette Ferguson (not present today).
- 4) Principal's updates:
 - a. Casual for a Cause November – raised \$588.66 for the Veteran's Council
 - b. Casual for a Cause December -- raised \$517.75 for Salvation Army
 - c. Casual for a Cause January – raised \$626 / Split between Substance Awareness & Crossover Mission
 - d. Perfect Attendance: 253 students for 2nd Quarter / overall attendance is improving
 - e. State Linguist'k's Competition – 4 students from SGMS qualified
 - f. 17 students performed Jan 6th at SRHS for Indian River All County Middle School Honor Band
 - g. NJHS – Toys for Tots Drive / almost 300 toys donated from SGMS
 - h. Salvation Army Red Kettle was on campus to raise funds
 - i. SGMS is a 5-Star school this year. Already started application for next year paying particular attention to using a Collaborative Planning model. SAC team was trained on the Shared Decision Making and Collaborative Planning Model
 - j. Education Foundation awarded a grant to SGMS \$4,650 for 6th grade flexible seating. Mrs. Bieber applied for the grant in an effort to keep 6th grade ELA and Reading students more engaged by allowing them to choose their preferred seating style. Teachers kept some desks and implemented flexible seating in addition. Each classroom received a coffee table and garden cushions; cushioned stadium seating; stools with movement; big blowup chairs, and four video rockers. Clipboards were also purchased for the students' use. The first day was a huge success. Ms. Bradley commented that her students were very receptive and the day went very smoothly.

- k. Afterschool ALS and FSA prep: Ms. Bieber applied for a grant to help math students. If the grant is awarded, Math teachers will come to SGMS 2 Saturdays and 1 Wednesday night, so students and parents can attend together and understand the lessons/homework. In addition, Ms. Bieber is asking SAC to pay for an additional teacher for Tuesdays for students to be able to address Credit Recovery. John Young made a motion to approve the request to fund the additional Tuesday teacher at a cost not to exceed \$1,000. Bob Hiller seconded. Motion passed.
- l. Ms. Bieber proposed going forward to use a Grant Application for all SAC fund requests. A suggestion was also made by Mr. Young to appropriate the SAC budget into subcategories. The decision was made to discuss this in more detail at the next SAC meeting. Ms. Bieber will also request SAC funds for carpets/area rugs for the classrooms with flexible seating (to accommodate students sitting on the floor). This will be discussed next meeting.
- m. New program introduced to students: Larry Bell's 12 powerful words. One word a week for 12 weeks. Asked all teachers to use these words so the students have a true understanding of each word and can apply them to their daily tasks.
- n. Rewards for Positive Behavior – if students are able to exhibit positive behavior in the courtyard and at lunch, Ms. Bieber will award them Digital Downtime during lunch on Fridays. Students will also be permitted to offer alternative reward suggestions.
- o. Recycling program going so well that the district is picking up recycling from SGMS twice per week, compared to once per week at all other schools.

5) PTSA Update – no update

6) Old Business: None

7) New Business:

- a. Ms. Gruber has been helping SGMS with Facebook posts. She encourages teachers and staff to also contribute. Feedback has been positive; daily announcements are posted, and club activities are promoted, etc. It is a private Facebook site, so each member must be approved.
- b. A question was asked about iReady and its success. Ms. Bieber reports that we are now in a diagnostic window so data is not yet available. Everything will be finished by January 26th so data will be available at the next SAC meeting.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 20, 2018

Meeting adjourned at 4:06 p.m.