



Sebastian Elementary School

Home of the Sebastian Sea Turtles

SAC Minutes August 23, 2021

Attendance: Parents: Nicole Patton, David Baker, Tamika Kroeger, Kammy Henderson, Debbie Osterhautt
Administrators: Letitia Whitfield-Hart, Ashley Kohlstedt
Teachers: Monica Sherrill- Long, Sharon Klein

Call to Order:

A meeting of the Sebastian Elementary School Advisory Council was held in the media center on August 23, 2021. Mrs. Klein called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M. Sharon Klein will record minutes for this meeting.

Minutes:

Mrs. Hart explained that Mrs. Dunderdale will be stepping down as School Advisory Council chairperson while she takes a leave of absence from the school district for the remainder of this school year. Mrs. Sherrill- Long will take over as our SAC chairperson.

New Member: A motion was made by Mr. Baker to and second by Mrs. Klein with a unanimous vote for our newest member Debbie Osterhautt.

Parent Compact Agreement: The SAC went through the **School-Parent-Student Compact Agreement** and made the following changes for the current school year: Sebastian Elementary School of Performing Arts will become Sebastian Elementary School of The Arts. The date will change from 2020-2021 to 2021-2022. Mrs. Klein will provide a copy to Mrs. Miles-Brown for edits to be made.

Family Engagement Agreement: Mrs. Hart is currently working on this, and we will be putting in place some performance nights and exhibitions of student work. We will continue to monitor the situation with COVID and abide by school guidelines. We currently have planned an I-Ready parent information night for Wednesday, September 15, 2021 @ 6:00.

School Improvement Plan: Mrs. Kohlstedt explained that this year we are writing the plan by quarters instead of writing the entire plan for the year. Our first goal was to provide professional development around our school focus for being A School of The Arts. We had a day of professional development with Crayola helping us to create a vision and mission around the arts, develop a leadership team for artful learning and provide classroom strategies focus on the arts.

We are currently working on building capacity within teachers around collaborative planning. Research indicates that standards based collaborative planning with coaching and accountability lead to teacher efficacy. Teacher efficacy is one of the top indicators of student success. Mrs. Hart explained our current schedule for collaborative planning. The School Improvement Plan is now called the Continuous Improvement Systems (CIS). This plan will be shared at our September meeting.

Open Forum: Mrs. Hart expressed that as a SAC our demographics need to match that of our student population. Therefore, we need to recruit a parent of Hispanic heritage. Mrs. Hart will also reach out to Hamilton Mortgage regarding staying as community partners with our School Advisory Council.

Ms. Osterhaut shared that there is a group called "Save The Music Foundation" and they support Title schools with getting music equipment for the school. Mrs. Hart will let our music teacher know of this opportunity. Mrs. Hart explained that we were projected for 320 students, and we currently have 341 students which is a positive. Our kindergarten classrooms are large and a request to receive an additional teacher is being considered.

Next Meeting Date & Time:

The next meeting will be held on September 27th, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m. in SES Media Center

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion: Mrs. Hart motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:41. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,
Sharon Klein