



OUR MISSION IS STUDENT SUCCESS...ACADEMIC, ARTISTIC, AND HUMANISTIC

SCHOOL BASED PLANNING TEAM AGENDA

Tuesday, February 11, 2020

4:15 pm – 6:00 pm

Attendees: JoAnn Aspenleiter, Kelly Nicastro, Evan Wilson, Lisa Kasdin, Matt Bonawitz, Matt Fusco, Nija Branca, Susan Rudy, Martin Presberg, Melissa Santiago, Christine Christman, Paul Pittinaro, Breanna Eng, Marcy Gamzon,

Absent: Brian Haak, Susel Linares, Anais Rivera,

Guests:

TimeKeeper: N. Branca

Notetaker: M. Presberg

Facilitator: S. Rudy

TIME	TOPIC	PERSON	DISCUSSION/ DESIRED OUTCOME	ACTUAL TIME
4:15 – 4:17pm	Call Meeting to Order (Vote: To Call Meeting to Order)	S. Rudy/All	Call to order	4:24
4:17 – 4:20pm	Approval of Today's Agenda / Set Timing (Vote: To approve agenda)	S. Rudy/All	Agenda approved	4:25
4:35 – 5:05pm	Committee/Constituency Share Out and Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Professional Development Culture and Climate School Start Time (Breanna, Bria, Paul, Anais) Students, Parents, Teachers, Administration 	All	<p>PD Committee: no formal SOTA PDs scheduled. Laura Ferris will be putting in some forms for Wellness and CPR. There will be a PD for the second semester of the Technology in Schools Book Circle. Plans for Summer PD will be starting shortly.</p> <p>Culture and Climate: Working on a survey to staff and students about the definition of respect with an intent to compare to results on the district survey. Questions about cell phone usage, school start time, and a school-wide event in September will also be included. Members of the committee did a casual survey about pledge, announcements, and SOTA stream. Feedback was that many teachers play announcements first thing. Pledge happens at 8:10 and is acknowledged with some students standing and others quietly showing respect. The most important thing is that all teachers play the announcements.</p> <p>School Start Time: There was one meeting. Still in 'information collecting stage.' Is it possible to be a school that also starts later (not switching with another school?) There may be a survey to teachers and students. Sleep education -- what are good sleep habits? -- should also be included.</p>	4:25-4:42
5:05 - 5:15pm	Suspensions and Cell Phone Data	K. Nicastro	<p>Suspension statistics (per request from last meeting): Rough numbers show: last year at this time 225 suspensions. Currently this year 238. 7-8th = 43% of suspensions 9th = 20%</p>	4:42-5:23

			<p>10th = 14%</p> <p>11= 11.5%</p> <p>12=11.5%</p> <p>144 of the 238 are unduplicated suspensions (i.e. 94 are duplicate)</p> <p>Girls = 85 unduplicated (girl population = 694)</p> <p>Boys = 59 unduplicated (boy population = 401)</p> <p>SOTA= 12.68% suspended.</p> <p>Attendance Statistics:</p> <p>Every Student Accountable Act has 6 factors for high school. One of them is attendance. You need 90% attendance or higher.</p> <p>Currently only one school had only one day of meeting 90% attendance or higher district wide. The state does not perceive “absent excused” as different from “absent unexcused.”</p> <p>Daily attendance</p> <p>7th = 95.6% (202 students)</p> <p>8 = 94.9%</p> <p>9 = 88.7%</p> <p>10 = 90.7%</p> <p>11 = 92.8%</p> <p>12 = 86.7% (181 students)</p> <p>Last year average daily attendance was 90.2%. This year 91.8%.</p> <p>SOTA could be dropped from a school in good standing based on middle school testing. Kelly worked on an appeal citing the number of opt outs. 45 opted out of English and 40 opted out of math. Of those, over 70% were honors students. The final accountability result will be available in the middle of February.</p> <p>This shows how opt outs impact the school’s accountability - the school is judged on total population, not just those who take the test. This lead to a discussion about communication with parents and students around the importance of testing. Kelly is hoping the district will provide information so that everyone can use the same message.</p>	
5:15 – 5:45pm	<p>Principal’s Update</p> <p>Communication</p> <p>Staffing</p> <p>Arts and Instruction</p> <p>School Culture and Climate</p> <p>District Initiatives and Updates</p>	K. Nicastro	<p>New home school assistant - Cherri Hawkins.</p> <p>Special Ed 7th grade math position started today - Dane Foster</p> <p>Currently there is only one vacancy</p> <p>Friday - Black Lives Matter Day - presentations and a variety of activities.</p> <p>Tonight - Black History Concert and Art Opening</p> <p>Superintendent met with all the principals to talk about staffing for next year. He is trying to do the best he can.</p> <p>MiFi units were originally intended for everyone, but there are not enough. There was another survey to identify students without internet at home. Those students (109)</p>	5:24-5:30

			then received MiFi units. More kids will be targeted though there are less than 500 more available for the district.	
5:45 – 5:55pm	Approval of Today's Minutes (Vote: To approve agenda)	S. Rudy/All	approved	5:32
5:55 – 6:00pm	Set Agenda for Next Meeting	S. Rudy/All		5:33

Snacks Today: Matt B and Paul P
Next Meeting: 3/19 Snacks: Lisa K and Evan W
Future Meetings: 4/21, 5/19, 6/11, August

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