

PDES Principal's Advisory Council Agenda

September 4, 2019

Attendance: A. Erickson, L. Larkin, C. Pauley, A. Aslinger, J. Barnes, S. Ward, K. Mennenga, J. Hall, S. Phelps, A. Kelly, R. Wright, A. Weir, J. Sproul, J. Lovett, B. Spencer, D. James

Meeting called to order- J. Hall, R. Wright

Review of Minutes: approval by J. Hall, S. Ward

School News

- K- Sproul- New K teacher this year- Clair Ashford. Started learning centers this week. AIMSWEB testing was this week, i-Ready testing is next week. Last year's portfolio scores were excellent.
- 1st- Wright- Off and running- data meeting last week. Continuing to focus on procedures. Moving on from letter sounds to blends and making words. Field trip September 20th.
- 2—Spencer- Focusing on perfecting procedures. Began intervention groups this week. Working on building reading stamina, fluency, and comprehension skills.
- 3-Ward- Tier intervention began this week. In school field trip next week. Rotary club to hand out dictionaries next week. Free flashcards from Sonic.
- 4- James- Completed pre-assessment data. Today is the second day of groups. In school field trip on September 12th (Discovery Lab).
- RA- Barnes- Getting ready for Groovin' at the Grove. Cup stacking information coming home, everyone is really excited about it!
- SPED- Kelly- Working closely with teachers and staff to meet student needs.
- Support- Mennenga- Finished benchmark testing to place students in tiered instruction

Parent News:

We received feedback about kindergarteners getting ready to ride the bus. Next year, kindergarteners will be given the option of riding the bus in the mornings on their phase-in days.

Principal's Update:

- Fundraising purchases- We have already purchased a lot of materials to meet miscellaneous teacher needs.
 - We were given three new chrome book carts this summer- all third and fourth graders are one-to-one. Also, there is a set for ELL and Ms. Lampley.
 - Promethean boards- we purchased two with money we had saved.
 - Calculators- 3rd and 4th grade teachers each have a set in their classroom.
 - Chair scoots- purchased for chairs and desks, installed by volunteers
- State Data-
 - Achievement is a snapshot of how they perform on the testing days.

Growth is a measure of the year's score compared to the previous year. Growth Composite score was a level 5. ELA growth composite was a 3. Math growth composite was a 5.

- o Achievement- reviewed the data chart and subgroups.
- o Things that were right on the cusp- students in "approaching" category
- Construction Update- performing arts center and new gym to be built.
 - o Meeting with the lead architect next week.
 - o Construction will begin at the end of the year.
 - o Current stage and locker rooms will be demolished.

PTO Update:

Membership drive has ended- raised \$5003.49. Gearing up for Groovin' at the Grove. Apparel that was ordered went home today with oldest sibling. Field trip shirts will be distributed on September 17th.

New Business:

- Wish list items
 - o Promethean \$3748 for Mr. Gilley (music teacher)
 - o Other Prometheans that need to be replaced
 - o Misc. Teacher needs \$3000
 - o Ipad/Chrome Tablets \$11,000, if we gave each K-2 teacher 2 (\$500 each with cases)
 - o Library Furniture \$2000, Mrs. Gray has a plan to add new furniture to make it more inviting.
 - o Music Room Mural \$1000
 - o Personnel \$12,000, There is a need for a five-hour para-professional for K and 1st to work in the mornings.
 - o Instructional Programs
 - Brain Pop \$1,916
 - StarFall \$300
 - Flocabulary \$96
 - Reflex Math \$5931, the teachers and admin. need to evaluate the effectiveness. Some teachers do not see the transfer of skills. Others don't have time to use it because they are using i-Ready. If we don't use this program, is there something else students can use at home? Will be decided by BLT.
 - o Language Program for EL- possibly look for a systematic program
- Fundraising Focus
 - o items above not highlighted grey will be funded here
- Title I budget approval \$40,000 plus \$1000 for Parent Involvement
 - o Items highlighted gray above will be funded here
- School Improvement Plan- tabled until next meeting
- 20 Year Anniversary- next school year! A committee will be created to determine how to celebrate. Submit ideas, if you have any. Ideas for a date are needed. Possible alumni event, including past teachers.

Next meeting December 4th.

Adjourn