Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Foothill Elementary School Accountability Committee, Boulder Valley School District

Meeting held: Foothill Elementary Library on March 21st, 2017

The following SAC members and participants were present: Lisa Schuba (Principal), Laurel Reckert (Assistant Principal), Kim Kleinman (teacher), Nicole Rajpal (SAC Chair), Christina Schlachter, Katie Volkmar, Francesca Gettleman, Emily Andrews (PTO President).

Call to Order and Introductions
Nicole Rajpal, Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes
Meeting minutes from February 21, 2017 were approved unanimously.

Principal’s Report
- 20 Chromebooks were purchased for 1st grade to increase time practicing on the device, teachers identified lack of time on computers as having a negative impact on standardized tests.
- New testing schedule has been well received by students and teachers.
- FOSS NextGen science kits will be purchased to improve science instruction and experience at Foothill.
- Outdoor Learning Center is moving forward with gift from the 5th Grade.
- Teachers completed a recent training with Katie Bell entitled “Increasing Student Talk in the Classroom” link to the presentation here.
- 4th Grade Math Olympiad Team advanced to the State level.

Draft Homework Policy
Using notes from the consensus-based process on homework from both the Foothill staff and SAC, in addition to the Bear Creek homework policy, an initial homework policy was drafted.

Multiple tools for homework and skills practice, whether utilized by teachers or parents, were discussed.

The draft homework policy was sent to the Foothill teaching staff for additional edits, comments and suggestions.

Adjournment
There being no further business, the meeting was formally adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Nicole Rajpal, SAC Chair