

Instructional Council Notes 3/24/20

7:30 – 8:10 AM Library

Next meeting _____

Members Present

Mandy Allred

Debbie Ariaz

Sheila Barbour

Joyce Comer

Denise Dockendorff

Suzanne Everett

Frank Parra

Anna Galfano

Trini Gallegos

Annie Gomez

Brian Hendrix

Christin Johnson

Kimberly Mackey

Glenn McNeely

JD Enciso (parent)

Jennifer Drexler (parent)

Michelle Vela

Eric Reardon

Jose Lopez

Jessie Olson

Vincent Montoya

Angel Anglada

1. Announcements: **You can come look at the budget items line by line if you'd like to see the specific dollar amounts for each of these items. Michelle has that information.** The group is starting with the budget. The goal is to start by getting things going with the three main budgets; At risk budget, title 1 budget, and discretionary budget.
 - a. Last year 44 teachers, this year 46 teachers. Last year we paid for our resource teacher with one of those allocations. This year we will pay the resource teacher with an at risk budget, so we have room for one more teacher. We don't have space right now. So, the school is looking at options for housing that teacher to lower class sizes.
 - b. **Discretionary budget** \$68K- Last year FACs was given some money \$500, we will do that again. The wheel was given some money last year, and sped. We bought Brainpop and Flocabulary last year, we will do that again. We also bought some supplies for the work room last year. We will do that again. There are issues with color copies costing money. There was a bill from last year with color copies which was paid for with this year's budget. There is also some money for substitutes for teachers to do professional development, etc. Sub money can be moved around if need be. Some money was given to the library for library resources. There has been money allocated for Survey Monkey. There is also money put in for office and custodial supplies. The total of these items adds up to \$68K.

- c. **At Risk Budget \$199,385-** The EA for the TIPS room will be paid out of this fund, and there will be an additional EA for general education paid from this fund. The department chairs will have their stipends paid out of this fund. Extra Curricular differentials will be paid out of this fund. There is some money here for EA stipends and teacher stipends. The computer technician will be added in and a half-time counselor will be paid out of this budget. (It will be a full-time counselor, but the other half of the counselor's pay will come from Title 1.) Other contract services, e.g. outside PD, etc. will be paid here. More money will come from this budget for teacher supplies. (This might include binders, etc. for AVID.). A Chromebook cart (about 30) and radios will be purchased as well.
- d. **Title One Budget \$183,960-** Another EA would be purchased with this money to help tutor AVID. The other half of the counselor's pay will come from this budget. There will be more money put in for family events, and teacher overtime for these events. More money here for EA stipends. Benefits will come out of the title one budget. Money for AVID travel, and agendas. There will be money for more iReady licenses. STEM and STEAM science supplies are coming from this budget. There will be money for microscopes. There is money for about 25 more teacher laptops. Administrative travel will also be put in this account.
- e. Any food bought in title one can't be sold, so FACS will operate out of discretionary.
- f. There is hope there will be some sort of tech refresh which will be determined by the district. They will come look at our inventory and the district will issue new items based on the refresh. The school doesn't get to pick which items are refreshed specifically.
- g. Summary of hiring, extra teacher, two additional ea's, and an extra counselor. We will continue to have a resource teacher, computer tech, and ea for TIPS.
- h. There has been a lot of questions regarding computers, and the numbers we need for testing. Students can be tested on Chromebooks. This is one of the reasons we will be purchasing another Chromebook cart.
- i. No money has been put aside for more Promethean Boards.
- j. Any way to reconsider Flocabulary to look at more Math specific programs? Being Title 1 we get Math 180 and Read 180. We have to provide the technology piece. Vincent is wondering if we could purchase a tech math supplement program. We can move money from iReady to other instructional software. There has been feedback that teachers really like iReady, so the school is looking at doubling the amount of licenses.
- k. Increase in regular ed FTE, consider a Restorative Justice Dean of Students. The goal would be to work with the kids and focus on choices with the smaller issues like language, dress code, tardies, etc. This would take the place of the extra teacher FTE. The goal is putting them on the right path. This would be a full-time position and would possibly teach one class. The goal is to get students to really get the grasp of their behaviors. This would be in place of just assigning the consequence without any ownership of behavior.
 - i. Question from Vincent, some schools have done a 100% restorative justice model, which is very difficult to work with. Michelle addressed that she doesn't want to go away from consequences, and wouldn't want to be full restorative justice because she doesn't want kids to feel like they can just get away with everything. This would be more of a hybrid, with a student success advocate (maybe instead of restorative justice), and then have Brian still work as the Dean.

- ii. Trini is reading Hacking School Discipline, and she is finding a lot of good ideas and resources in this book. The goal is for the students to help find a consequence to fit the behavior, and the student is part of the discussion.
 - l. There may be a little money later for sewing machines. We will look at SIP money for these machines.
 - m. Lots of discussion about the positives of adding a new counselor, EA's, and possibly a new dean. There will also be some money for pay for after school tutoring which is different than the club money. We will still have the after school programs, but the Title 1 budget will allow for homework club and tutoring.
 - n. Title one is very strict on guidelines when it comes to food. We will need to use very specific calculations in regard to how we spend money for community food.
 - o. We can only pay for the \$12 background check for families.
 - p. One other small pot of money was for a new marquee, and unfortunately this money was not approved for the marquee, but there is some new furniture. New microwaves, chairs, lounge furniture, both conference rooms, some teacher chairs etc.
2. Vote
 - a. Unanimous yes vote to approve the budget.
 3. There has been links posted to the website for the families. You can't make anything mandatory, but you can make things available for the students. You can e-mail your classes through Synergy. Michelle will communicate this information to teachers.
 4. iReady and iStation is turned on for all schools. Online instruction is available for all students even if you haven't been using it to this point. You can use this as a tool for reading and math.
 5. Admin hasn't heard about when we will go back. Nothing has been officially said that we will go back later, but the Governor's stay at home order is through April 10th, so we can probably assume we will be going back a bit later. The district is planning to order 8,000 Chromebooks to check out to students.
 6. Talent show will be cancelled, and the dress code survey will go to staff before parents. It will be a Google Doc to review. Christin sent a link to the survey and folder with descriptions to Brian, so that will go out to staff soon.
 7. We will send out stuff for families to still participate in Domino's Pizza fundraiser on 4/14/20.
 8. Testing is still up in the air. The schools keep hearing conflicting things. There is a waiver which the state has applied for. We are just waiting to hear back.
 9. The school is giving out a bunch of lunches.
 10. Domain 4 still due on Friday.
 11. Specialty class lists still need entered. So, please get those in ASAP.