

Instructional Council Meeting Minutes

Date 9-22-21

Time 7:30 - 8:05am

Location virtual google meet

Facilitator name Christin Johnson

Time Keeper name Suzanne Everett

Recorder name Racquel Leland

Members Present

Amanda Allred

Sheila Barbour

Joyce Comer

Denise Dockendorff

Suzanne Everett

Trini Gallegos

Brian Hendrix

Christin Johnson

Brian Laurent

Racquel Leland

Jose Lopez

Glenn McNeely

Jessie Olson

Geoff Smith

Megan Thompson

Samantha Warren

Janet Reeder

Michelle Vela

PIG rep - Christy Dunlap

Agenda Topic – Announcements

The IC is responsible for completing a MLSS self assessment for our school. More details to come.

PDP videos will be shared with staff. **PDP due date changed to Oct. 13.**

Agenda Topic: Student Council Rep

They are taking their time to elect the right person, so hopefully by our next meeting we'll have a student with us.

Agenda Topic: Open House attendance

We had approximately 208 parents, guardians, siblings, etc. attend the Open House.

44 staff members completed the form that they were in attendance.

Michelle said there was a teacher in every classroom she joined.

Agenda Topic: Monthly WICOR focus

Adrianna and Samantha reviewed WICOR for us in August and the AVID site team decided to focus on one strategy each month (starting in **October**) beginning with **Writing**.

Examples of writing strategies will be in the JMMS Google Classroom later today.

Teachers can work on exit tickets, journaling, responsive writing, etc.

November and December will be focused on **Inquiry**.

January will focus on **Collaboration**.

February will focus on **Organization**.

March will focus on **Reading**.

April/May will be a combination of all parts of WICOR.

This doesn't mean that other parts of WICOR shouldn't be focused on those particular months, but the school wide focus will be on the specific part mentioned above.

Agenda Topic: Approval of additional 13 hours of PD

We need to take a staff vote on how to move forward with this approved amount of time for professional development. The negotiated agreement specifically says the vote must go through the entire school, not just IC

Michelle said it doesn't necessarily mean she will use every hour of that, but has the flexibility to call additional meetings as the need arises.

Teachers will be able to vote Yes or No on how the hours are used and when they'll be used.

The survey will be sent out this week.

Agenda Topic: Student Behavior

Hallway behavior, cussing and general disrespect towards teachers and other adults is out of control and escalating. It's sad for the other kids that are behaving . There was a suggestion that a firm and frequently used consequence be used.

The Student Incentive team is working on ways that can reward kids that do act appropriately.

Michelle said they've been handling behaviors as they arise and they count on staff to write Raptor Reminders and referrals so they can be addressed. The electronic version of the Raptor Reminder has been helpful when identifying a pattern of infractions by particular students.

Trini said that she is not giving any more reminders of inappropriate behavior and language because kids have been warned over and over. She would like us to continuously address the behaviors in the classroom.

It is expected that all staff are in the hallways to assist monitoring behavior because admin can't always be there right when the bell rings.

Agenda Topic: Fall Festival

Many students did not display appropriate behavior at the last evening event we had (Back to School Extravaganza). We are considering whether or not to hold the Fall Festival.

While we don't want to penalize those kids that are following directions and working hard, the poor behavior from others overshadows them.

Some groups at school depend on the fundraising

Staff will be completing a survey this week to indicate whether they rely on those funds generated by the fall festival. Ultimately, administration will make the decision about hosting the fall festival.

Next meeting date - October 13, 2021