

Instructional Council Meeting Minutes

Date _1-12-22__

Time _7:30 - 8:05am__

Location _virtual google meet__

Facilitator name _Christin Johnson__

Time Keeper name _Suzanne Everett__

Recorder name _ Mandy Allred__

Members Present

___ Amanda Allred
___ Sheila Barbour
___ David Sedillo
___ 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
___ FIT rep Christy Dunlap
___ Addy Olalade (student)

Agenda Topic – Announcements

No new announcements. Just check on the dress code, and do your best to keep moving forward toward our goals.

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Advocacy Lesson for January 19th- Expectations “assembly” will be held during Advocacy. COVID has made it impossible for us to have an actual assembly. There will be a video sent out prior to the Advocacy date with the information from administration.

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Registration: Fifth graders are getting registered in February. Some of the elective teachers and students will be going to the elementary schools to recruit students into the band, orchestra, choir, etc. We are trying to stay on top of everything as far as registration.

Miranda would like it if we could get preregistration finished online before school starts in the fall. The administration will be working to figure out how to get our students registered ahead of time. This is different from student selecting their electives with Trini.

Michelle is really trying to gain the trust of incoming families/students. There will be some type of incoming student night. There are some families who are afraid to send their students to the school because of all the things middle school entails, especially with COVID. So we may need to put together a presentation to send out.

Agenda Topic:

Program Use Teacher Survey: A survey will be coming out asking teachers about which programs they have been using. The school purchased many different programs this year, and we need to make sure that we are getting the most out of our programs. We don't have our budget for next year. We have a slim budget, and it may be the same next year, so we are just trying to preplan.

There is a place for teachers to comment on the programs they are using.

Results will be shared with the staff. The survey will be sent out next week.

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Testing: We were picked to test NAEP. 100 8th grade students were selected to test in either Math or Reading. It is going to be happening on February 16th. Students will get a certificate of completion. This is going to be held in the library for two hours on the 16th.

ELD students will ACCESS be tested over a week in February. Those students will be testing with their ELD teachers.

NMASR- 8th grade science students will be tested on April 6-8 three different subtests - NMASR.

NMMSSA- Math testing will be April 11-14

NMMSSA ELA testing April 19-22

Make-up testing will be the final week of April.

iReady testing will be May 2-6 Math and May 9-13 ELA.

All testing dates can be found on the school calendar.

Agenda Topic:

MLSS- The plan that Math and ELA teachers are writing, but ALL teachers are responsible for working on the MLSS plan. We are looking at switching the PLC structure from common content to possibly working on common students.

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Dress Code: Staff members are still frustrated with the dress code. Staff members still feel that there are some staff members who don't enforce the dress code, and there aren't consequences. One example is sagging pants. Lots of students feel that girls would be sent to the nurse if she was showing her underwear, and boys aren't receiving the same consequence. Addy Olalade spoke for students, and said the equity of consequences for boys and girls is really important to our students.

Trini said that Sandra and Brian are working on consequences. Trini pointed out that the nurse is not intended to be a closet for kids who don't want to wear the correct clothes to school. Those clothes are made for a different reason.

Trini and Michelle have been talking about dress code quite a bit lately. They are trying to decide what we may want to do with the dress code next year.

Remember, if there is a repeated infraction, you can always call the parent yourself. You don't have to wait for administration on dress code issues if they are repetitive. Additionally, if there is a colleague who isn't supporting the school's initiatives. Remember, you can always report to the administration.

Michelle is thinking about having a dress code committee. Michelle appreciates that we need to really think about what we need for next year.

Glen pointed out that masks and proper mask wearing is even more important, and we need to emphasize this issue from a health standpoint. It was said that teachers can ask the nurse for additional masks.

Next meeting date - January 26, 2022