

Sabin Middle School
School Accountability Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, January 3, 2022

Attendance:

Parent Members:

Marion Clawson
Velvet Stepanek (Secretary)

School Members:

Dr. Albert Wiggins (Principal)
Lory Hammers

Community Members:

Jan Rennie

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Velvet in the library. Casey had to work.

1. Introductions

No introductions needed

2. Approve agenda

Agenda approved with addition of FITCoach update, assistant principal update, and grading questions.

3. Approve minutes

December minutes approved.

4. FIT Coach Update

Marion and Velvet met with LouAnn Dekleva for training. They learned about a survey that could be used to determine where to focus our efforts. Requested meeting with Sabin Title One coordinator and Dr. Wiggins about next steps.

5. Budget

The SAC signed approval to move the funds from accounts no longer active to the Positive Behavior Support account 19014. The total transferred is \$1224.35.

Some additional funds became available to spend from money rolled over from last year. Can teachers ask for additional funds for tutoring?

A question about how often middle schools are audited was asked? Dr. Wiggins will find out.

All classrooms are getting refitted with technology this year. Porcelain white boards are going to be installed in every classroom so there is a consistent surface to display on.

There were a few accounts in the negative, Dr. Wiggins explained that professional consultant services from the office of the principal has already been fixed.

There have been some challenges with the Title One budget since we are a targeted Title One school. They are adjusting to make sure dollars are spent.

Is there availability for some flexible seating more students?

The budget is attached.

6. Major Improvement Strategy #2, Family Involvement

Struggling to get families to participate. Texas Roadhouse fundraiser only made \$92. Title One basketball game had no families sign up to participate. There will be an on-site Texas Roadhouse fundraiser coming up.

We need to come up with other ideas:

Multicultural fest

Academic project focus night

Art night

With the uncertainties with COVID, it's still hard to feel welcomed.

Survey from Family Involvement Toolkit could help us come up with a focus.

GMP Informational Night coming up on January 13 at 6:00. We want to be sure parents know about SAC and opportunities for the Gifted and Talented Advisory Council(GTAC).

7. Data from reset

Sabin reset done right after Thanksgiving continued to work up till winter break. Some adjustments have been made as students learned to work the system. Improvement continues. The Capturing Kids Hearts reset is the next step.

8. Capturing Kids Hearts(CKH) Relaunch

Professional development day for staff on January 3 was a relaunch of CKH. Some new process champions stepped up. Every class should be revisiting their social contracts to verify class ownership. 100% of staff will be greeting students at the door.

9. Assistant Principal

The posting closed. Candidates are being checked. The District will interview and then the school will interview. Three parents expressed an interest in being involved on the interview committee. Dr. Wiggins will reach out with the details. Dr. Wiggins is hoping to have a candidate chosen by mid-January.

10. Grading questions

Parents asked about the expectations of assignments being entered in a timely manner. The expectation is that grades should be updated every two weeks.

There have been some struggles because of the new Power School implementation. Teachers are learning as more functionality becomes available.

Students should be looking at their grades every school day in Advisory.

Some parents would like to have a larger conversation about grading in the future.

Galileo testing happened right before winter break. Will look at data from benchmark testing at the meeting next month.

Next SAC meeting will be on: Monday, February 7, 2022, 6 – 7:30 pm in the library.