



Cherokee County School District
 School Council
 Meeting Minutes Notes

Macedonia Elementary School Council

DATE 02/15/24

MEETING TIME 8:00 am

MEETING LOCATION Media Center

MEETING CALLED BY	Carrie O Bryant
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Meeting or Special Meeting
PRINCIPAL	Dr. Carrie O'Bryant
NOTE TAKER	Secretary :Barbara Scharich
BOARD ATTENDEES	Sarah Rutkowski, Amanda Forys, Christopher Bennett,, Carrie O'Bryant,, Barbara Scharich, Elizabeth Coker, Darren Jackson
GUEST ATTENDEES	None

Agenda Items

TIME ALLOTTED 15 minutes

TOPIC: Allotments

PRESENTER: Dr. O Bryant

DISCUSSION	Allotments are in and we will have openings.	
CONCLUSIONS	We will be likely be hiring/accepting transfers for next school based on these allotments.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Dr. O'Bryant will be conducting interviews as jobs post and job fair	Dr. O Bryant	TBD

TIME ALLOTTED 10 minutes

TOPIC Budget Items

PRESENTER Dr. O

DISCUSSION	Dr. O'Bryant put in for some budget items for media center, Butler building, flooring, office furniture, and removal of old TV's.	
CONCLUSIONS	Approved budget requests may result in work over the remainder of the school year or Summer.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Budget requests put in	Dr. O'Bryant	TBD



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TIME ALLOTTED _____ TOPIC Transportation Calendars PRESENTER Dr O'Bryant

DISCUSSION	There were issues ensuring the students were going home the proper way prior to implementing the daily transportation calendars. After meeting with various principals, Dr. O'Bryant Decided to implement the calendars to ensure student safety.	
CONCLUSIONS	Transportation calendars have greatly decreased the number and frequency of dismissal Issues.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Continued used of transportation calendar to ensure student safety	Faculty, staff, parents,	Ongoing

TIME ALLOTTED: 5 minutes TOPIC: School Improvement Plan PRESENTER: Dr. O

DISCUSSION	Revisited the SIP goals of raising Milestones scores a minimum of 3% through teacher Collective teacher efficacy and small group differentiated instruction. PD has pinpointed these areas.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Continue PD and appropriate measures to meet SIP goals	Faculty	Ongoing

TIME ALLOTTED: 10 minutes TOPIC Testing Season PRESENTER _____

DISCUSSION	Midyear benchmarks showed high growth, however Beacon is a better ongoing formative agessment that directly correlates to Milestones. The first Beacon window showed promising growth. The second Beacon window will close after break and we will look at that data to drive instruction.	
CONCLUSIONS	Data deep dig following second Beacon window	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Continue to use Beacon to help drive instruction	Classroom teachers, admin,	ongoing
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TIME ALLOTTED 5 minutes

TOPIC: Lunch noise level

PRESENTER: Dr. O

DISCUSSION	Amanda Forys questioned any updates on noise level in cafeteria. Decibel level test came in acceptable. Dr. O'Bryant mentioned trying to possible spread lunch times out a little more in order to lessen noise level.	
CONCLUSIONS	Schedule changes may spread out lunch times and allow for fewer students in café at once to decrease noise level.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Look at scheduling in regard to lunchtimes	Scheduling Team	TBD

TIME ALLOTTED 5 minutes

TOPIC Milestones Pep Rally

PRESENTER: Dr. O

DISCUSSION	Dr. O'Bryant is looking at a possible Milestones Pep Rally to rally students for the test. Amanda Forys mentioned possibly asking for an optional \$2 per student to cover the expense of bringing in a fun pep rally show at a cost of roughly \$1300.	
CONCLUSIONS	This sounds like a great opportunity to positively support our students.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Look at budget and see if we can fundraise for this or possibly ask for student donations.	Dr. O'Bryant and admin team	Early April

TIME ALLOTTED 15 minutes

TOPIC: New marquee sign/Fundraisings/

PRESENTER: Dr. O



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DISCUSSION	Dr. O'Bryant explained that our marquee sign is out of date and needs updating. The price is in the neighborhood of \$40,000 and will require fundraising to cover this expense. It is possible to sell sponsorships to be displayed on the marquee. Discussed price of \$2500-\$3,000 to advertise for the year on the new sign with a possibility of tiers of sponsorship. There was discussion on how to ensure this supplements rather than competes with PTA sponsorships. Dr. O'Bryant discussed selling \$1 chocolate bars as a fundraiser and this will start week after Feb break.	
CONCLUSIONS	There are multiple options on how to approach this to best benefit our students, school and community.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Continue discussions on best ways to implement new sign purchase and sponsorships.	Dr. O'Bryant/Council/New PTA	ongoing

TIME ALLOTTED

TOPIC: Staff update

PRESENTER

DISCUSSION	Meredith Castro is new sped facilitator, Rebecca Warren filled Castro's position	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

TIME ALLOTTED

TOPIC: School Competitions

PRESENTER



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DISCUSSION	We have science Olympiad and academic bowl coming up.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Support our school at these events if possible	stakeholders	ongoing

TIME ALLOTTED 5 minute

TOPIC Health/Climate Survey

PRESENTER: Dr. O

DISCUSSION	Please ensure we are doing the health survey as this affects our CCRPI score	
CONCLUSIONS	The more families that are able to complete this survey, the better, as we welcome Feedback.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
We need as many families as possible to complete the survey.	Stakeholders/parents	ASAP

TIME ALLOTTED

TOPIC Scheduling

PRESENTER Dr.O

DISCUSSION	Scheduling for next school year will begin soon and involve homeroom teachers, admin and special programs.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Begin scheduling for next year	Faculty, admin	ongoing

TIME ALLOTTED 5 minutes

TOPIC: School reassignment window is open

PRESENTER: Dr O



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DISCUSSION	Student reassignment window is open for school choice as MES is an open school	
CONCLUSIONS	Macedonia is receiving applications for out of area students to enter our school.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Dr. O'Bryant will approve as needed and submit to School Operations	Dr. O'Bryant and school operations	Ongoing

TIME ALLOTTED

TOPIC School Literacy Bill

PRESENTER Dr. O

DISCUSSION	New literacy bill will be helping implement some great changes in the area of literacy.	
CONCLUSIONS	Many exciting and positive literacy changes will be occurring to benefit our students.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Continue to attend committee meetings and work with county and state to implement positive literacy changes.	Faculty	ongoing

TIME ALLOTTED 10 minutes

TOPIC: Superintendent Search

PRESENTER: Dr. O

DISCUSSION	The question was asked by Chris Bennett about the superintendent search. Dr. O shared that it is a majority vote by the school board and is currently at a 4-3 vote in favor of the presented candidate.	
CONCLUSIONS	School board meeting regarding superintendent search and vote is tonight.	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
None		

AJOURNMENT CALLED BY	Dr. O Bryant
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NEXT MEETING	April 25 at 8:00
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