

Taylor road Middle School – Governance Council Meeting

Virtual

Minutes – August 27, 2021

Members present Martha Patorgis, Julie Ray, Franca Marsh, Marcy Morantz, Payal Chhabrin, Kristie Face, Michael Sinco, and Principal, Kelly Parker.

Members absent Steve Akinboro and Katharine Bridges

Marcy Morantz moved to call the meeting to order at 7:45 am. Julie Ray seconded the motion.

Franca Marsh moved to accept the Agenda for the August 27, 2021 meeting. Marcy Morantz seconded the motion.

Marcy Morantz moved to accept the minutes for the May 14, 2021 meeting. Julie Ray seconded the motion.

New Members Welcomed – Payal Chhabrin, Kristie Face, and Michael Sinco were introduced to the group and welcomed. New member Katharine Bridges was absent.

Committee Assignment (Budget and Finance) – Kelly Parker and Payal Chhabrin

Committee Assignment (Communications/Outreach) - Julie Ray and Marcy Morantz

Committee Assignment (Principal Selection) – Franca Marsh and Michael Sinco

Trainings for the committees can be found on [Charter System Training](#) website.

Informational Items

Masks and Compliance – Marcy Morantz asked about reluctant mask wearers and COVID mitigation compliance levels at TRMS. Staff reported not an issue of reluctance or non-compliance; some reminders about lifting masks over the nose and face when slipping.

Staffing – Michael Sinco asked about staff turnover. Kelly Parker and Martha Patorgis reported that there have been unforeseen exits and exciting new hires.

SGC Flexible Funds Update – Supply chain issues and contracting process challenges have left us without outdoor furniture and our mural.

Diversity Committee Update – New funding sources will be explored to change the imagery around the building to better reflect our diverse population. A coming fundraiser (Color Blast) was discussed.

PBIS Committee Update – The fundraiser discussed above will also be leveraged by the PBIS committee to celebrate students and staff. Kristie Face reported the PBIS work has come a long way in a short time. Students are discussing friendly competitions with PBIS points. Julie Ray shared how she encourages kids with the points and centers the discussion on the top tenets of PBIS at TRMS: Be Productive – Be Respectful – Be Responsible. Teachers are shifting from ‘Stop – Don’t do that’ to ‘Thank you for being

respectful.' The opening pep rally of PBIS the first week of school was shared, highlighted by the pieing of administrators.

One Well Project Update - Martha Patorgis shared that we have exceeded the \$3000 goal of raising funds for a well in Uganda. The total raised exceeded \$4700. McDonalds and Steve Akinboro were recognized for their great help. We will continue to raise funds this year.

Principal Update

Kelly Parker shared the district big rocks of Routines/Relationships; Tier I Instruction; and Interventions. Taylor Road will be supporting those efforts in a variety of ways, beginning with PBIS.

The agenda was set for the Friday, September 24, 2021 meeting to include cultural diversity committee, PBIS, and One Well.

Michael Sinco moved for the meeting to be adjourned at 8:25. Kristie Face seconded the motion.