

Logan Elementary School Improvement Council Meeting Agenda



Date & Time: March 20, 2024 at 3:15 p.m.

Location: Virtual (Microsoft Teams)

I. Welcome – Mrs. Casana

II. Review of February Meeting Minutes – Mrs. Cothran

III. Informational Items

- Principal's Report – Mr. Copeland
- PTO Updates

IV. Faculty/Community Updates

- AFLAC Grant – Ms. Kingsley
- Arts Update – Ms. Polen
- ATP – Ms. Belton
- Other

V. SIC Goals Review & Discussion

- Annual Report to Parents
- School Renewal Plan
- Other

VI. Upcoming Events:

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VII. Public Comments



Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 17 at 3:15 p.m. (Microsoft Teams)

**Logan Elementary
School Improvement Council Meeting
Wednesday, March 20, 2024**

Staff in Attendance: Principal David Copeland, Jr., Assistant Principal Dr. Latisha Lowery, and Mary Polen

Parent Representatives in Attendance: Vice Chairperson Sloane Birnie, Stephanie Casana, Lauren Williams Noesner, and Secretary Caitlin Cothran

Community Members in Attendance: Nick Washington and Ben Redden

Absent: Ms. Sherrie Belton, and Ms. Kingsley

- I. Welcome – Mrs. Casana
 - a. Chairperson Stephanie Casana opened the meeting at 3:15 PM.

- II. Review of February Meeting Minutes – Mrs. Casana
 - a. Mrs. Casana reviewed the minutes and there were no changes.

- III. Informational Items
 - a. Principal's Report – Mr. Copeland
 - i. Mr. Copeland stated they are excited to see where they are for end-of-year assessments and plan the last few months of school.
 - ii. ARTS NOW dance came in today. There was a lot of great feedback. Logan is excited about the partnership and looking forward to teacher partnership. Logan received the same grant to continue the professional development for next year.
 - iii. The third nine weeks ceremony for the traditional program is on Friday.
 - iv. There was an ABC School visit last Thursday and they are looking forward to next year.
 - v. Parent Climate Surveys are ongoing. Principal Copeland encouraged everyone to take the survey and provide feedback about the school.

 - b. PTO Update – Mrs. Casana and Mr. Redden (PTO President)
 - i. PTO emailed today that they are looking for nominations for the PTO officers for next year.
 - ii. Read-A-Thon has raised \$250 so far. Only 11 children have signed up. Everyone is encouraged to sign up for the fundraiser.
 - iii. Mr. Redden mentioned this is the second run of the Read-A-Thon.
 - iv. Mrs. Cothran asked what positions are open for the PTO nominations. Mr. Redden mentioned all positions are open to be filled.

- IV. Faculty/Community Updates
 - a. AFLAC Grant – Mrs. Casana (Ms. Kingsley was absent)

- i. The Logan Foundation has submitted their application for the 10K grant for next year for the Science Lab Manager. They also requested funds for field trips, the lab, and money to keep the outdoor space in shape.
 - b. Arts Update – Ms. Polen
 - i. Ms. Polen shared a PowerPoint presentation on the DAP (Distinguished Arts Program) Grant.
 - 1. It is a three-year cycle. We are starting a new cycle for the 2024-2025 school year to be completed in 2027.
 - 2. Each cycle requires a new Opportunity to Learn Standards Survey. Staff has completed the survey. There is also a Community Stakeholders survey they would like for SIC members to participate. This information will be helpful in re-applying for the grant.
 - 3. The grant provides \$18,000 which has been used for dance, theatre, professional development, and summer institutes.
 - 4. Mrs. Williams-Noesner asked if this survey would be only for the SIC members or all Logan parents. Ms. Polen stated for now it is just for SIC members but would like to discuss sending it to all parents in the future.
 - c. ATP – Mrs. Casana (Ms. Belton was not able to attend)
 - i. Literacy Night is Thursday, March 21.
 - ii. Drop-in for third grade families immediately following early dismissal next Thursday, March 28. This is focused specifically on SC Ready.
- V. SIC Goals Review & Discussion
- a. Annual Report to Parents
 - i. Mrs. Casana asked about the Annual Report to Parents. ATP is working on it before it comes to the full SIC.
 - b. School Renewal (Improvement) Plan
 - i. Principal Copeland stated on March 8, they received the district plan but have not done any additional goal setting related to the district goals. Principals are meeting tomorrow, then they will meet with their individual staff.
- VI. Upcoming Events – Chairperson Casana
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 - d. March 29 to April 5 – Spring Break
 - e. April 8 to 12 – Week of the Young Child
 - i. Celebrate literacy in the early childhood classrooms.
 - f. April 10 – Literacy on the Lawn (Early Childhood Classes & Families)
 - g. April 16 – Riverside Family Night (4:30pm to 6pm)
 - h. April 17 – SIC Meeting (Virtual, 3:15pm)

- i. April 19 – College and Career Day
 - j. April 23 – STAR Reading
 - k. April 24 – STAR Math
 - l. April 25 – Spring Arts Showcase
 - m. April 26 – Advocacy Day, Birthday Celebration (April Birthdays), Early Release for Students (Professional Development)
- VII. Public Comments
- a. No additional comments.
- VIII. Adjourn – Chairperson Casana adjourned at 3:45pm.
- a. The next meeting will be held on April 17 at 3:15pm (Virtual – Microsoft Teams).



Logan Elementary School Improvement Council





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Wednesday, February 21, 2024**

Staff in Attendance: Principal David Copeland, Jr., Assistant Principal Dr. Latisha Lowery, and Mary Polen

Parent Representatives in Attendance: Chairperson Stephanie Casana and Co- Chairperson Sloane Birnie

Community Members in Attendance: Nick Washington

Absent: Allison Kingsley, Sherrie Belton, Lauren Williams Noesner, Caitlin Cothran, and John Black.



**Review of
February
Meeting
Minutes**

- I. Welcome – Mrs. Casana
 - a. Chairperson Stephanie Casana opened the meeting at 3:17 p.m.

- II. Review of January Meeting Minutes – Mrs. Casana
 - a. No changes

III. Informational Items

a. Principal's report – Principal Copeland

- i. Principal Copeland discussed the ARTS NOW grant. This grant allows Logan Elementary to have dance and theater programs. A representative from ARTS NOW is coming to Logan next week to host two professional development sessions for teachers (February 29 and March 1).
- ii. Principal Copeland mentioned recent events that took place such as the 100th Day of School, the State of the School Address, and Souper Bowl of Caring.
- iii. State of the School Address - Stakeholders were invited to the State of the School Address to get a closer look at academics, culture and climate, and community engagement. Next year, ensembles (such as steel band) may participate in this annual event.
- iv. Souper Bowl of Caring – Students had the opportunity to donate to the two teams. Ms. Mason's class had the most donations, so they won a pizza party. 180 canned goods were collected.
- v. Principal Copeland mentioned that the school is currently progress monitoring students. He also stated that February 22 is National School Bus Driver Appreciation Day. Additionally, the Superintendent's Book Club has started. This is an annual district-wide reading challenge that helps increase literacy. This year, students can complete their reading logs online. More information can be found in the weekly newsletter.
- vi. Principal Copeland stated that the Black History Showcase is tomorrow. There are two shows (8:15 and 9:15). Parents can attend.

- b. PTO Updates –
 - i. Chairperson Casana stated that the Family Dance was a wonderful event/PTO fundraiser. Families had a lot of fun.
 - ii. The Read-A-Thon will be starting up again soon. More information will be shared in the Upcoming Events section at the end of today's meeting.
- c. Faculty/Community Updates –
 - iii. AFLAC Grant – Mrs. Casana
 - 1. No new updates. The school is still funding the science lab instructor.
 - iv. Arts Update – Ms. Polen
 - 1. The 2024 ABC (Arts in Basic Curriculum) Elementary Schools Spring Meeting will be held at H.E. Bonner Elementary School in March 2024.
 - v. ATP Update – Mrs. Casana
 - 1. No new updates.

IV. SIC Goals Review and Discussion

a. Annual Report to Parents

- i. Chairperson Casana shared an update provided by Ms. Belton: The Annual Report to Parents will no longer be a trifold. Instead, it will be a PDF document (8.5x11") since it is mostly accessed digitally. This year's report will also focus more on arts integration.

b. Logan SIC Bylaws

- i. The bylaws are on the website and can be revised as needed by future School Improvement Councils.

c. School Renewal (Improvement) Plan

- i. Mr. Copeland stated that the Faculty Advisory Committee recently met to draft goals for the School Renewal Plan. Goals are based on academic data, climate and culture, and teacher quality.
- ii. Tentative Goal #1 – By 2029, 64.6% of Logan students in grades 3-5 will score met or exemplary on the SC Ready ELA assessments.
- iii. Tentative Goal #2 – By 2029, 56% of students in grades 3-5 will score meet or exemplary on the SC Math assessments.
- iv. Tentative Goal #3 – By 2029, as evident by sign in sheets, 100 percent of teachers will receive staff development and be provided resources and opportunities to support Arts Integration within the core curriculum.
- v. Tentative Goal #4 – By 2029, the students' perception of Social-Physical Environment will increase from 4.73 to 9.00.
- vi. Goal #5 will be aligned to the district's goals.
- vii. Mr. Copeland stated that Logan is dedicated to increasing staff morale. Several initiatives have been implemented this year to support this endeavor including teacher/staff of the month, extra planning sessions for teachers, extended PLCs, staff outings, and the PTO teacher coffee cart. The new building coordinator is also working hard to keep the school clean and presentable. Next year, the school hopes to utilize student or teacher ambassadors to create videos about things going on at Logan. All of this will contribute to the culture & climate goal.

- V. Upcoming Events – Mrs. Casana
 - a. February 22 – Black History Month Celebration (8:15 and 9:15)
 - b. February 22 – Birthday Celebration (February Birthdays)
 - i. Mrs. Birnie asked for more information about the birthday celebrations. Mr. Copeland explained that this is a monthly birthday celebration for students, and everyone receives a cupcake.
 - c. February 26 – PTO Read-A-Thon Starts
 - i. This is the second round of the Read-A-Thon for the 2023-2024 school year. The first round took place during the fall.
 - d. February 26-March 1 – Read Across America Week
 - i. Mr. Copeland stated that more information about Read Across America will be provided in the weekly newsletter. Gregory Christie, children’s book illustrator, will be meeting with 3rd-5th grade students to promote reading. There will also be a book character dress up day.
 - e. March 4-8 – National School Breakfast Week
 - f. March 7 – Third Grade Family Night
 - i. This event is for parents of third grade students to learn more information about reading requirements for this grade level.
 - g. March 8 – SEL Day
 - h. March 9 – PTO Family Obstacle Course
 - i. March 14 – End of Third Nine Weeks, PTO Coffee Cart
 - j. March 15 – Teacher Workday
 - k. March 18-22 – Spring Book Fair (Open Late on March 21)
 - l. March 20 – Third Quarter Awards Ceremony (Traditional)
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VI. Public Comments

a. There were no comments.

VII. Adjourn – Chairperson Casana adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

b. The next meeting will be held on March 20, 2024, at 3:15pm. Ms. Casana will not be present for this meeting but will still help create the agenda.

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Faculty/ Community Updates

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SIC Goals Review & Discussion



By spring 2024, the Logan Elementary School Improvement Council will:

- Create and finalize the Annual Report to Parents,
- Create and adopt the Logan SIC Bylaws, and
- Provide input and feedback during the development of Logan's School Renewal (Improvement) Plan.
- Other



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