## Logan Elementary School Improvement Council Meeting March 19, 2025

Staff in Attendance: Andrea Mattress, Allison Kingsley, Sherrie Belton, David Copeland

Parent Representatives in Attendance: Stephanie Casana, Sloane Birnie, Ryan Stokes

Community Members in Attendance: Nick Washington, Alejandro Salgado

Absent: Madison Kozeny, Mary Polen, Latisha Nunn, Michael Phillips

- I. Welcome Mrs. Casana
  - Mrs. Casana introduced a new SIC member. Alejandro Salgado is replacing Bill Canaday as a community representative.
  - Current members introduced themselves.
- II. Review of January Meeting Minutes Mrs. Casana
  - No changes to the January meeting minutes.
- III. Informational Items
  - a. Principal's Report Mr. Copeland
  - Several teachers and Mr. Copeland visited an arts school in Charleston, SC for an artsintegration visit. One takeaway – the school invites a local artist to showcase their career in the arts once per month. Mr. Copeland hopes to implement it at Logan Elementary.
  - The fourth quarter started today.
  - We will be adding a third Lower Montessori class for the 2025-2026 school year.
  - Report cards will go home next Thursday digitally for traditional students and printed reports for Montessori students.
  - We have an abundance of items in the Lost & Found. The items will be on display in the cafeteria immediately following the awards program and will remain until parent-teacher conferences.
  - The Logan Foundation and the PTO hosted a clean-up day to beautify the outdoor classroom and gardens. They are planning more for the future.
  - b. PTO Updates Mr. Copeland and Ms. Kingsley
  - The PTO discussed the need to lock the school grounds. Mr. Copeland announced that the gate in the rear of the school will be locked at night starting today.
  - There was discussion about locking the front gate to completely secure the grounds.
  - Mrs. Casana mentioned that Sizemore Security (district security) may be able to lock/unlock the gates after hours.
  - Mr. Copeland mentioned that the gates were open so that the community can use the playground. He will follow up on locking the front gates.

- IV. Faculty/Community Updates
  - a. Arts Update Mr. Copeland
  - Mr. Copeland attended the ArtsNOW Principals Network Conference in February.
  - Mr. Stokes inquired about grant funds and if they remained frozen (mentioned during last SIC meeting). Mr. Copeland said he isn't aware of our programs being impacted by frozen funds.
  - b. Other
    - Coat Closet
      - o Mr. Washington suggested that Logan partner with Cooperative Ministries.
      - Mr. Salgado suggested that we make an announcement for Lost & Found after every family engagement event.
      - Mr. Copeland will add an announcement about the Lost & Found .to the Principal's Corner (family newsletter).
      - $\circ$   $\;$  The Coat Closet may be a good project for SIC for the 2025-2026 school year.
        - Additional idea Coat Closet pop-ups at Logan's family engagement events.
  - Morning Recess Ideas
    - Ms. Mattress shared concerns about implementing a morning recess before the school day.
    - Mr. Copeland suggested surveying the teachers about idea. He loves the idea, but does not know if we have enough staff available to make it happen.
- V. SIC Goals Discussion Mrs. Casana
  - a. Goal 1
- Room Parent Idea Survey the teachers to see who wants to start it now versus next school year. Write a description of the room parent's role.
- Mrs. Casana will follow up with Mrs. Noesner about drafting the survey for teachers.
- b. Goal 2
  - Tentative Clean-up Day Sunday, March 30<sup>th</sup>
  - Ms. Belton suggested that we adjust the start time to accommodate families who may have late church services.
- c. Goal 3
  - Ms. Belton will begin drafting the Report to the Parents alongside Ms. Birnie and Ms. Kingsley.
  - $\circ~$  A draft will be presented at the next SIC meeting.
- VI. SIC Compliance Ms. Belton
  - The roster has been updated on the SIC Members Network. Ms. Belton also sent it to Ms. Bennett to update it on the school's website.
- VII. Upcoming Events
  - a. March 21 Third Quarter Awards Ceremony

- b. March 27 Birthday Celebration (March)
- c. March 28 Early Dismissal for Students & Parent-Teacher Conferences, Student Advocacy Clubs
- d. March 31-April 4 College and Career Week
- e. April 4 Career Day
- f. April 7-11 Week of the Young Child
- g. April 8 Third Grade Parent Meeting
- h. April 10 Superintendent's Book Club Celebration
- i. April 11 Literacy on the Lawn (11:00-12:00)
- j. April 14-18 No School Spring Break
- k. April 21 Weather Makeup Day (e-learning)
- I. April 22 Tentative Schoolwide Field Trip to Fireflies Game
- m. April 23 STAR Reading/Early Literacy, SIC Meeting
- VIII. Public Comments
  - Ms. Belton informed the council of the upcoming SC-SIC Statewide Conference on April
    5, 2025. Registration closes on March 21, 2025. Ms. Belton is attending and presenting as a representative of Richland One's Office of Federal and State Programs.
- IX. Adjourn Mrs. Casana

Adjourned at 4:13 p.m.