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School Improvement Council January 21, 2025 Minutes

<p>Ex-Officio Members Present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Mabra Wayman <input type="checkbox"/> Daniel Lewis <input type="checkbox"/> Lisa Lucas <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nicole Zorn 	<p>Members Present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Aimee-Ann Benson <input type="checkbox"/> Alaina Williams <input type="checkbox"/> Chelsea Beauchamp <input type="checkbox"/> Sarah Morris <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beth Griffith 	<p>Members Present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jessica McCreary <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephanie Sloan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jenn Brown <input type="checkbox"/> Brad Owens <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kate Haynes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zoë Maurer
<p>Others in Attendance: Kelly Van Daley Mary Margaret Caudle</p>		

The meeting was called to order at 2:32 p.m. by Jessica McCreary. Members were asked to review the minutes from the December meeting for any corrections, additions, or deletions. There being none, the minutes were approved.

Old Business:

- **Title One Update - Mrs. McCreary**
 - Working on a parent survey for feedback from our Winter Festival.
 - Planning to send staff to the Title 1 Conference to get more ideas for our school. This will depend on if we are full Title 1 or Targeted.
 - Once we know our Title 1 status, we will be able to target our instruction for next year.

New Business:

- Guidance Update - K. Van Daley and M. Caudle
- Mrs. Van Daley and Ms. Caudle introduced themselves and gave their background in counseling.
- General Information about our Guidance Program
 - Serve over 732 students at RVES.

- Mrs. Van Daley serves Pre-K- 2nd grade and Ms. Caudle serves Pre-K, 3-5th grades.
- Began the school year as part of the Related Arts rotation so from August until December, we had classroom guidance every 6 days.
- After hiring an additional PE teacher, guidance came out of the Related Arts rotation so now classes are seen twice a month.
- In addition to classroom guidance, our counselors also provide
 - small group counseling - usually 6-8 weeks long with groups working on skill development like friendship, executive functioning, grief/loss, etc.
 - individual counseling - this is only short-term. If it is needed for a longer period of time, the counselors will refer the student to outside services.
 - Crisis response services
 - Community Outreach
 - Weekend Food Bags - we serve 41 families
 - Snack Shack - piloting this program. Provides snacks to students during the day if they need them.
 - Holiday Assistance - Christmas Village Toy Store, Thanksgiving meals
 - School Supplies - have backpacks filled with supplies for students who need them. This year we filled 66 backpacks.
 - Toy & Food Drives - in March we will be collecting supplies for Fort Mill Care Center needs.
- Our district also has a full-time Social Worker that assists with issues.
- Building the Guidance Program
 - Beginning of the year we look at the Profile of a SC Graduate to figure out how to incorporate Ready to Work Skills into the lessons.
 - Next look at the Guidance Standards - we use these as a guide and to incorporate these standards in our lessons too.
 - Then we look at the needs of our students. This information comes from:
 - Formal and informal - conversations with teachers, students, administration, and parents, during daycare duty, morning duty, recess, lunch etc.
 - Look at office referrals and attendance data.
 - SEL data from screener completed by teachers in the Fall, Winter, and Spring

- SEL Behavior Team meetings. SEL Team is Taylor Davis - Behavior Interventionist, Corinne Scannell - School Psychologist, Samantha Root - Registered Behavior Therapist, Cortney Hamel - Mental Health Counselor, Kelly Jaworski - Mental Health Counselor, Kelly Van Daley - Guidance Counselor, Mary Margaret Caudle - Guidance Counselor.
- Morning Meetings
 - Harmony is a free Morning Meeting program we are moving towards using as a district.
 - Each Morning Meeting is about 15 minutes long and has:
 - Greeting
 - Share time
 - Activity
 - Announcements
- Tier 1 instruction - all students receive
 - Classroom guidance
 - Morning Meeting
 - School Expectations
 - Rocket Stickers and Rewards
- Tier 2 instruction
 - Skill Based Targeted Instruction
 - Small Group Counseling
 - Behavior Contracts
 - Check ins
- Tier 3 Instruction
 - Individual plans
 - Counseling
 - Mental Health Services
- Mrs. Van Daley and Ms. Caudle shared their Guidance Website that has detailed information about RVES guidance program.
 - Includes the class lessons taught along with video and handouts linked.
- **Questions**
 - Z Maurer - thank you for what you do. The small group sessions were life changing for my daughter. What are things you could use to help with your program?
 - Van Daley - wish list has some books we could use. Also would love any positive PR about our program.
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- N. Zorn - suggested a social media post about our Guidance program, what SEL actually is etc. Maybe do a spotlight each day for a week
 - J. Brown suggested putting spotlight in the weekly Parent Newsletter.
- J. Brown - we should spotlight all the different departments in the newsletter - ESOL, Mental Health, etc.
- **PTO Update - N. Zorn**
 - Had a PTO meeting last week. Planning a Spring Festival April 11th.
 - Book Fair will be the same week as the Spring Festival.
 - PTO will be helping with the Literacy Picnic as well.
- **J. McCreary** - thanked Mrs. Van Daley and Ms. Caudle for their Guidance presentation as well as everyone for their input today.
- **Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be at 2:30 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.