



Sheila Tarr Academy of International Studies
School Organizational Team Minutes
January 26, 2024
4:30 pm

The Sheila Tarr Academy of International Studies School Organizational Team meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm on December 15, 2023. The meeting was held virtually through Google Meet.

Members present through role call:

Tracy Baldwin, Licensed School Staff Member
Jessica Beard, Support Staff School Member
Carly Bullard, Parent Member
Tiffany Ferguson, Assistant Principal
Danyell Gustaw, Parent Member
Alyson Jones, Principal
Elizabeth McGee, Parent Member
Becky Smith, Licensed School Staff Member

Members absent:

None

Agenda Items

- Approval minutes: The minutes from the meeting dated 11/17/23 were presented and approved “as presented”. Ms. McGee moved for approval and Mrs. Bullard seconded the approval.
- Old Items
- New Items
 - MAPS testing- overall we continue to perform well in winter and spring usually shows a decline. this will be reinforced with staff. Students who met typical growth earned a popcorn party and students who reached 3-5 points above their stretch goal received a snack shack ticket.
 - WIDA testing starts in January with Kindergarten. Apprx 60 students will be screened with listening and speaking skills.
 - Standard Student Attire voting is going through the process. We will look at limiting or removing rip jeans, jumpers or dresses. Virtual voting will be through ParentLink for the first contact with families.
 - Hygiene Drive for Child Haven was successful and will sustain them all year. Kindergarten and Pre-K won the contest with 500 pieces. Next year we will adjust rules for sizes of products and limit travel sizes.
 - Inquiry Night is scheduled for Jan. 17 and Heritage Day is Jan. 31.
 - TB exposure in the district was brought up and it's unknown for more details related. We only know what was shared from the district and distributed to parents.
 - Staff changes: PE aide was hired and started early January. 2nd custodian was hired but will take 6-8 weeks for processing. No SPED teacher yet and the AP that is open for hire is not top priority. Instructional Aide positions are filled and we added a new CTT (Mrs. Ulmer).

General Discussion

- School dance committee from last year will have their first meeting soon. After the first meeting, subsequent meetings will be shared with community and we want to encourage more parents to volunteer to help plan the event so it can continue for future years.

- Standard Student Attire will be voted on this year. The parent and student team is complete. Need teachers and then the first meeting can occur.

Information

- **Next Meeting**

Friday, November 17, 2023 at 4:30PM virtually

Public Comment Period

- N/A

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 pm.