Meeting Minutes

Ocee Elementary School Governance Council

Date: 12/10/24

Time: 7:30am

Location: F108 Ocee Elementary School

SGC Members: LaTosha Gray (Principal), Meghan Teska (Appointed Staff), Amy Daneke (Appointed Staff), Madison Strauss (Elected Teacher), Damarys Klausman (Elected Teacher), Nikeitra Smith (Parent), Johanna Pringle (Parent), Reema Singh (Parent), Tyler Chenault (Community Member), Goodluck Ukwuije (Community Member)

Attending Virtually: Reema Singh

7:30am: Call to Order (Chair)

Meeting called to order at 7:38am

7:31am: Action Item: Approve December Agenda

Motion: Smith

Second: Strauss

All in Favor- approved

7:33am: Action Item: Approve November Meeting Minutes

Motion: Strauss

Second: Smith

All in Favor- approved

7:38am: Informational Item: Superintendent Advisory Update

- No update- Reema was not able to attend meetings.

7:40am: Informational Item: Principal Update

- Chair position- vote next meeting.
    - Mrs. Stewart is stepping up to chair
- New appointed staff- Ms. Turner (Ocee Media Specialist)
- New Parliamentarian- seeking interests

7:44am: Informational Update: Ocee Counseling

- Counseling Advisory Council

- Mission statement- build outstanding character and to develop creative and confident learners who embrace personal and academic challenges in order to become future problem solvers and leaders.
- Components of Ocee's Counseling Programs
    - This semester- mostly individual and small group structure instead of whole group classroom to provide the support and needs
    - Other components- schoolwide programs, student leadership (5th grade), transition to middle school, student engagement, 504 coordinator, SSS partner, summit counseling contact, teacher wellness, parent/outreach support
    - Time breakdown- spends 92% of time supporting students!
    - Classroom Counseling Lessons
        - Recess problem solving
        - How to be upstander
        - Conflict resolution
        - Personal safety
        - Getting ready for middle school
        - Coping skills/stress management
        - Empathy
        - Spreading peace
    - Small Group Lessons
        - Lunch bunches- encourages peer relationships, give opportunities to practice social skills
        - New student groups
        - Counseling small groups- work on coping skills, teach social skills, focus on teamwork and building connections
    - Individual Counseling
        - Referred by teacher, parent, or student themselves
        - Short term goals, focus on problem solving
        - Topics- friendships, family, grief, anxiety, and more
    - Engagement-
        - "Together" Book Club
            - Working with teachers and staff
- Feedback for Ms. Corley
    - Parents- wants more information and support with transition to middle school
        - What does it look like for my specific school?
        - What does communication going to look like?
        - Organization for students
            - Ocee does a lot to support students with this but how can we prepare them for the transition
                - Agenda, organization of materials, lockers

        - Time management- no longer give unlimited time to turn in assignment,
    - Time management
    - Social media- dangers of social media, cyber bullying, etc.
- Carrer Day
    - Maybe for 2nd semester
- Lunch Bunch Picnic

8:25am: Informational Item: OEF/SGC Cross Committee Meeting

- Megan, Tosha, Madison meet with OEF for collaboration
- Notes from meeting
    - Parent engagement- how to bring new life into these programs
    - They are a different structure than SGC
        - They can carry funds over ($10,000 minimum)
    - Spirit Wear store is reopen!
    - Parent surveys
    - Evaluate what they are doing regularly to make sure they are meeting the needs of the community
- Collaboration-
    - Gaga pit- they were willing to help with this if timing doesn't work out for us
    - TAG field trips- Amy is working with them to see if they can take this on
    - Summer Reading Challenge- this may be something we can help them with.
        - Have the books ready for Kinder Round Up

8:35am: Discussion Items: Charter Dollars Expenditures Proposals

- Total spent- $6,256.83
- Total remaining- $40,134.17
- Already purchased-
    - Xylophones- $3,825.35
    - AU classroom support- room dividers, manipulatives, trampolines, etc.- $1,850.98
    - Peace Path- $580.50
- Proposals/Opportunities
    - Summer reading challenge- $10,000
    - Sensory/OT- $200
    - Literacy- TBD
    - Class Libraries- $8,000
    - Gaga Pit/Storage- $10,000
        - Tyler is still working on quote (professional companies)
    - Walkie Talkies- $1,800
        - 5 walkie talkies ($371 per walkie)

    - Math- $8,000
        - Versatiles, manipulatives
        - 2nd quote needed
    - Additional Tech (TAG + Learning Commons)- $5,000
- Proposals
    - Laptop chargers
    - Music programs- sound enhancements
        - Mixing board with two monitoring systems that is pointed towards the students
        - Students having a hard time hearing the music
        - Mixing board- approx. $150
        - Monitors- $TBD
    - Classroom Rugs
        - Rugs with squares, letters, etc for students to have their own personal spot

8:40am: Action Item: Expenditure Dollar Approvals

Summer Reading Challenge Books- $10,000

Motion: Pringle

Second: Klausman

All in Favor- approved

Math- $8,000

Motion: Smith

Second: Pringle

All in Favor- approved

9:03am: Discussion Item: Draft Next Meeting Agenda

- Action item!
    - Come with quotes

9:04 am: Action Item: Meeting Adjournment

Motion: Klausman

Second: Strauss

All in Favor- approved