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School Site Council Committee

March 12, 2024

3:00 p.m.

Agenda

I. Opening

- a. Call to Order by Brittney Cook at 3:01 p.m.

II. Introductions

- a. Attendees: Vanessa Freedman, Sean Kennedy, Ashley Trieb, Dale Krehbiel, Fernando Sintora, Mary Hein, Brittney Cook, Monika Shah, Rahul Shirale, Jerry Acosta

III. Approval of Minutes

- a. Approval of Minutes from the January 16, 2024 meeting: Approved as it stands, filed.

IV. Public Input

- a. No members of the public present.
- b. Public Input- Questions presents by outside members.
 - i. Ms. Cook: How can we increase public input at School Site Council Meetings?
 - The committee discussed various channels to reach out to the public to increase engagement. Some options considered were Zoom or phone for public input.
 - Ms. Hein will generate a Google Form option and present at next council meeting.
 - Note: Will clearly state these options are for input regarding information pertaining to school site council's mission only. This forum is not for grievances regarding school or students.

V. Information

- a. 2024/25 School Safety Plan Draft Presented
 - i. Section 2: Annual School Safety Goals
 - School climate: Data shows 2 incidents of suspensions, 1 incident of Violence, 0 incidents of Tobacco, Drugs/Alcohol, Expulsion, and 1 incident of Weapon.
 - Increase is due to fixing and stabilizing school structures.
 - Attendance has increased from 2022 by 0.5%, this year attendance is 96.63%. Attendance is consistently improving every year.
 - Teacher input and Principal parent meetings regarding attendance to support families and increase attendance school wide.

ii. Social Environment Goals

- PBIS shows that 5th and 6th graders show more behavior issues.
- Future training available for SAS, 2 times a month.
- Substitute SAS positions available at Landell.
- The committee brainstormed ways to reinforce the importance of P.A.W.S "Positive Attitude, Act Responsibility, Work and Play Safety, Show Respect", which will result in improved behavior overall.
- Some options discussed: Put signs in the playground, put a banner on the main gate and fence, add PAWS message to weekly email communication sent out by Ms. Mary on behalf of Ms. Freedman, Display P.A.W.S message on digital display board.
- Working on grade level consistency when it comes to what PBIS points are given out.
- P.A.W.S. information and support posters be made available to parents. Considering placing in weekly principal emails.
- Interventions are working when it is applied consistently.
- SST process: add looking from different perspectives. It does not mean a student is qualified under SPED, it means Student Support.
- Ms. Cook suggested sharing a video that demonstrates how to navigate through the parking lot during arrival and dismissal from school. This will improve school safety for all.
- New furniture will be ordered to replace classroom furnishing to meet the district standard.
- Mr. Acosta suggested updating language Objective 2 of the Physical Environment Goals Section, changing it from creating a plan to evaluating the condition of classroom furnishing.
- Ms. Freedman also shared that the school is looking into pressure washers to clean restrooms, this will speed up restroom cleaning and maintain hygiene.
- Maintain communication with crossing guards and Cypress Police Department to improve safety.
- Have more safety trainings for staff.
- Make a list of all staff with CPR certification.

iii. Discussion

- a. Ms. Cook foresees summer might be hotter this summer, and advised staff to consider investing in shade structure, this will help kids stay cool.

- b. Mr. Shirale noticed the parking lot and surrounding area were not clean. During non-rush hours, there was trash in a lot of places in the parking lot and its surroundings. There is only one trash can outside the main gate of the school. He requests the school to add at least two trash cans, one next to the side gate, and one the school could place strategically to reduce littering.
- c. Mr. Shirale discussed with the committee and staff ways the school can offer resources to parents to support students with homework. Some parents and guardians cannot help students at home with homework, due to a lack of knowledge or unknown reasons. They are unable to find helpful resources, as they get lost in various platforms out there. We discussed ways resources could be made available to parents. The school has great links present on the cypsd.org website under Educational Services. School to discuss this internally and come up with ideas to educate parents about these resources.

iv. Next Meeting

- a. March 12, 2024

v. Adjournment

- a. January 16, 2024 at 4:04 p.m.