

Durbin Creek Elementary School Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, January 14, 2020

Start: 4:03 End: 4:59

Welcome and call to order: Sherri Kuczewski

Review December 2019 minutes: motions made; approved.

Principal's report: Ms. Fuller shared that this afternoon a sprinkler head broke in P.E. office, activating the fire alarm, which required that the Fire Department arrive to shut it off and assure no possible electrical/fire issues causing the sprinklers to activate. There was damage to computers, personal items. About a foot of water in the P.E. office. No one hurt as it was vacant.

We are on track for more "portable classrooms" next year as we continue to receive new students. Most, but not all, are moving into Celestina subdivision (across the street from DCE). Testing schedule windows are on our District website. April 1st and 2nd will have 3rd grade ELA as our first test. Paper reports regarding recent diagnostics are not sent to parents, but parents are welcome to schedule a meeting with teachers to help understand the results.

School Board meeting is tonight, to recognize TOY (Teacher of the Year) and RTOY (Rookie Teacher of the Year) at the meeting. Banquet will be on January 31st. DCE's PTO Space Night is February 7th, and will include a rocket launch, Orbitron, Dance Glow Party, Mad Science, etc. D.R. Horton, just down the street, has agreed to allow parking in their lot that night.

SAC Parent Survey Questions: window for participation will be in February. Ms. Kuczewski reviewed each section of questions for both the Parent Survey, and the Faculty/Staff Survey. While questions 1-13 on the parent and faculty surveys are required, SAC can change the subsequent questions to better align with our population needs. Explanation of what is meant by "language arts" (reading, writing, grammar) was added. "Technology" removed from question 26 (no longer on resource rotation). "Pre-K" added as a separate category on question 29.

Discussion about possible workshops, adding a question about intent to attend any possible workshops, number of children attending DCE from one family. Agreed to add some text boxes for additional comments.

Question about Character Counts! (we don't have assemblies as in the past due to security constraints). Ms. Walker assured that Character Counts! continues to be a part of our teaching.

On the faculty/staff survey, there was discussion of PLC (Professional Learning Communities) questions, and adding a text box.

Next meeting: February 11, 2020. 4:00.

Meeting adjourned: motions made. Adjourned 4:59 p.m.

Members present: Angela Fuller, Sherri Kuczewski, Teri Heath, Jan Phillips, Emily Hoover, Larissa Davis, Stephanie Celender, JamiLyn Kotula, Jill Tor, Mike Anderson, Carey Blumberg, Ashley Bunnell, James Chen, Kyle Cribbs, Carol Hardison, Margaret Morin, Natalie Tybeck, Rajani Vijayakumar

Members absent: Keysha Dixon, Christine Gurdak, Nicole Lizzmore, Deepak Nenmini

Guests: Lorrie Cosgrove (District Buddy), LaVerne P. Walker, Assistant Principal.