

Durbin Creek School Advisory Council

Meeting minutes for Tuesday, May 10, 2022

Start: 4:00 PM End: 5:00 PM

Recorder: Taylor Johnson, SAC member and teacher

Welcome and call to order: Ms. Heath

Review of April minutes: Motion to approve: Ms. Ebanyat, 2nd Mr. Chen

Principal's Report with Mrs. McCormick:

Testing, testing, testing! Everyone was all hands-on deck for testing and proctoring. 5th grade Science is left along with iReady testing. We are starting to receive information for testing for the next school year. The 2022 – 2023 school year will be implementing F.A.S.T. which stands for Florida Assessment of Student Thinking which is state required. The assessments will be three times a year (similar to iReady) but will be one session per subject – hopefully not spaced out for 2/3 days (iReady is). VPK students will be tested using Renaissance STAR which is comprehension based. K-2 will be tested using Renaissance STAR Early Literacy and Star Math. 3-5 will be tested using Cambium Reading and Math. The first test is administered within the first 30 days of the school year and will be used alongside the 2nd test to help drive instruction. The 3rd (last) test will be near the end of the year and will be comprehensive/summative based. All tests will be computer-based. Teachers will have extra planning time before the year starts to attend webinars and modules to help guide them through this transition. These tests will NOT be used for teachers' VAM score for the 2022 – 2023 school year since it is the first year, but it will be used starting the 2023 – 2024 school year. We are still unsure about the 4th/5th grade Writing test. 5th Grade Science will still be paper-based. We know this is a big change, but we will figure it out together! Next year, we have a lot of changes with our incredible growth! We will have 8 Kindergarten, 1st, 4th, and 5th grade teachers, 9 2nd grade teachers, and 10 3rd grade teachers! We are still looking for support staff to help with all of these students (i.e. paraprofessionals). There are only a few weeks of school left – WOW! Parent input forms will be going home soon for the 2022-2023 school year. No specific teacher requests, but we will look at learning/teaching style matches.

Funds Request: By Ms. Heath

Durbin has added a STEM Resource lab for the 2022 – 2023 school year. Ms. Heath will be taking this position. She would like to request some new technology to use in the STEM lab: 15 iPads (purchased through the district), iPad covers, a class set of headphones, and a 30-unit charging station for iPads and the 12 laptops the school is furnishing. Total is \$6,284.55. SAC currently has 2 accounts at \$11,714 and \$22,951.

Motion to vote: Ms. Tor

Motion to approve: all attendees

May Focus Group Meeting: Shannon Phillips is not in attendance to give report

School Recognition Funds:

We had a vote with faculty/staff and 70% voted 'yes' for distributing funds to 2021 – 2022 DCE full time employees listed on the payroll, as well as the school nurse and IT Tech, who meet specific criteria. We needed at least 51% for part 1 to be approved and we surpassed that at 70%..

We had a vote with faculty/staff and 45% voted 'yes' for distributing 5% of funds to SAC to be used for teacher requests/supplies, nonrecurring expenditures for educational equipment or materials to assist in maintaining and improving student performance, or temporary personnel for the school to assist in maintaining and improving student performance (i.e. tutors). We needed at least 51% for part two to be approved and we did not reach that.

This ballot closed on April 28th. We did not have to do a revote.

Motion to vote: Ms. Tor, 2nd Ms. Ebanyat

Motion to approve: all attendees

Questions/Comments:

Ms. Heath and Ms. Kepner will continue as our SAC chairs for next year. The next meeting will be Tuesday, September 13th at 4:00pm.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn: Ms. Tor , 2nd Ms. Ebanyat

Members present: Taylor Johnson, Teri Heath, Mike Anderson, Ashley Bunnell, James Chen, Kyle Cribbs, Sadie Ebanyat, Carol Hardison, Ashley McCormick, Jill Tor

Guests: none