Durbin Creek Elementary School Advisory Council

Meeting minutes for Tuesday, January 11, 2022

Start 4:00 End 4:50 PM

Welcome and call to order: Teri Heath

Approval of the November 2021 SAC meeting minutes: Approved- Mr. Chen, seconded by Ms. Morin

Principal Report:

We welcomed 28 new families in January

Current enrollment = 931 students \rightarrow we still have more room to grow.

Appreciative of families for car line and biker/walkers with new families.

Fielding a lot of phone calls in front office for COVID. The school will always answer questions, but if a parent or student tests positive, go ahead and call the nurse covid team (904-547-8230). The team will give the return date and answer questions. After calling the hotline, notify the school (Nurse Toni and teacher). If your child was exposed (tested positive) and feeling better, they must have a negative... We are seeing a few cases, but not an alarming number. Really staying on top of cleaning protocols because they are really important.

Keisa Boykin – asked a personal question regarding her child. Ms. Boykin called the hotline, but she has not heard back yet. Thankfully her child is feeling well. Mrs. McCormick will add extra communication reminders to families.

Buses – It is directly related to construction. Bus #2155 was servicing the Palsaides neighborhood. The continued to obstruct the sidewalks, so transportation reinstated the bus route through the end of the school year. Transportation is looking at the construction down Veterans PKWY and checking on the area that would affect the Bent Creek and Crest Haven neighborhoods.

Report Card – Released on January 19th.

Testing Dates – i-Ready Diagnostic right now. The school uses to predict growth. The state selected DCE in a national assessment. It only affects 4th grade and 40 students. If your child was selected, it should have already been communicated with you. Spring State testing will begin in April/May. There will be changes with state testing next year and we will no longer use the FSAA. The state will move to progress monitoring. We do not know what it looks like right now, but our district will come up with a plan and then submit it to the state to get approved. It may potentially look like i-Ready with a fall, winter, spring, and final.

Mr. Chen – inquired about how the students were chosen. Mrs. McCormick was not sure of the selection process, but good question! Also inquired about 5th graders transitioning to 6th grade. Parents will get a draft of the schedule and then someone from the school will come and answer additional questions.

Ms. Heath reviewed the SAC Survey from last year. The survey window is from February 1st - End of March.

SAC Parent Survey

- Remove the first question "As you answer the survey questions, please keep in mind that 2020-2021 has not been a typical year..."
- First 13 questions are district questions that cannot be changed
- Remove Question #14 it does not apply to this year because the only model we have is brick & mortar
- Keep #34 Mrs. McCormick would love to get parent input. As we grow, we have the possibility of adding another resource class. ADD "computer lab" as another option
- No additional questions or feedback from SAC members. SAC members in agreement with edits.

SAC Teacher/Staff Survey

- Remove the first question "As you answer the survey questions, please keep in mind that 2020-2021 has not been a typical year..." since it was unique to last year.
- No additional questions or feedback from SAC members. SAC members in agreement with edits.

Ms. Heath reminded the attending members and participants that our next SAC meeting will be on Tuesday, February 8, 2022. Also, to email any suggestions that may come to mind regarding survey questions so we are ready to approve the surveys at our next SAC meeting.

Meeting was adjourned by Teri Heath.

Members present: Teri Heath, Ashley McCormick, Jean Kepner, Jill Tor, Shannon Phillips, Christina Brock, Margaret Morin (Pneuma Life), Keysha Dixon, Sadie Ebanyat, Carol Hardison, Mike Anderson, Christine Gurdak, Megan Berry, Taylor Johnson, James Chin, Keisa Boykin

Non-Members present: Jenelle Dunathan

Minutes taken by: Jill Tor