

DURBIN CREEK SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Meeting minutes for Tuesday, April 9, 2024

Start: 4:07 PM End: 4:37 PM

Recorder: Dara Giddings, SAC member and parent

Welcome and Call to Order: Wendy Napier called the meeting to order at 4:07 PM

Review of March 2024 Minutes: Change from Agenda at the top to minutes.

Motion: Indra Boyapally Second: Heather Hickerson Approved

2022-2023 School Recognition Funds: Don't know much more than last month, but the funds have been distributed to the states, Unknown when it will be distributed to the district and then the schools.

SAC Member Survey: Will be going out to voting members at the end of the year. Please complete this survey once it is sent. Deadline is May 12.

Grade Level/Team Reports:

Pre-K: Knee deep in the transition meeting getting ready for Kindergarten. Were able to get a grant funded for our Pre-K classrooms. So, we have been able to order a lot of sensory items and manipulatives.

Kindergarten: Kinder is starting measurements unit, we are also working on oviparous animal unit, and baby chicks that have been hanging out are getting ready to leave and go to their new home. Next week we have a field trip to the St Augustine Aquarium. Working on assessments and end of year graduations.

1st grade: Working on time to the hour and half hour and counting using coins. Phonics we are working on multisyllabic words. A lot of science going on with beans and caterpillars. And we are doing fun projects with rocks and soil. Writing we are working on independently researching using digital and books and putting together our own reports.

2nd grade: Field trip week, two different days of going to the UNF Nature Center. Thursday, April 18 will be the flea market. Reading is closing out central idea and text features. Math we are working with 2D and 3D shapes and perimeters. Writing we are working on individual needs and gearing up for STAR Reading and Math testing.

3rd grade: Jacksonville Zoo field trip is next week. FAST Bootcamp to get ready for testing in May. Starting the 26 days of school countdown activities.

4th grade: Just completed BEST Writing assessment and the students did very well. Kicking into gear for FAST reading and Math coming up soon. ELA unit 5 which is non-fiction about Earth, Recycling and about our planet. Fourth grade field trip to Marineland on May 15. Marineland has lessons that will tie in with this unit. In math we are working on angles, shapes, and geometry.

5th grade: We also just finished BEST writing assessment. Students did very well at enduring that long day. We went to Wild Adventure for our 5th grade celebration. Math we just finished the volume unit.

The students made animal boxes and had to calculate the volume of the boxes. May will be a crazy month with testing coming up, then sports night, promotion ceremony, and celebration day.

Resource: Art Show is coming; this year's theme is Reflections of Me. Art Show is on April 25 from 6 – 7:30 PM.

Questions/Comments:

James Chen: How will we be able to find the BEST scores?

Answer: We will check into that, but it will likely be the same way we get the FAST results in the HAC system, but they will take longer to get those results since someone needs to actually read them.

James Chen: And what happens if someone does poorly?

Answer: We don't believe there are any consequences since we are piloting the assessment this year, but we would look at those results to make individual decisions about our students and what assistance they may need to progress forward next year.

Principal's Report: McCormick was unable to attend but sent her notes.

SAC Meeting Date: May 14, 2024

Adjournment: Motion: Indra Boyapally Second: Heather Hickerson End: 4:37 PM

Members Present:

In person: Wendy Napier, Kristin McCraw, Dara Giddings, Bethany Roberts, Indra Boyapally, Heather Hickerson, Jill Tor

Virtual: Jean Kepner, Ashley Bunnell, Carol Hardison, Mandi Kinzig, Diane Tucker, Kayla Tunnell, Danielle Jackson, James Chen, Janelle Johnson, Elizabeth Frankland

Guests:

Virtual: