

Sabin Middle School
School Accountability Committee (SAC)
11/13/17

Attendance:

Parent Members:

Neil Pettigrew
Cinde Gordon
Suzanne Warmington
Jeni Henson
Marcus Henson
Velvet Stepanek (Chair)

School Members:

Jared Welch
Bill Walker
Laura Deck

Community Members:

Regular meeting was called to order by Velvet in the Sabin Library at 6:02 pm.

1) Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves.

2) Approve Agenda

Agenda was updated to include discussion on the Advisory group and then unanimously approved.

3) Approve Minutes from Last Meeting

Minutes need to be updated to state that the school received the press release from the police instead of the police report. It was approved with updates.

4) Advisory Class Information

Laura Deck, the Advisory coordinator, came to the meeting to answer questions that were raised in the last meeting.

The intention of Advisory is to ensure that every child has one adult in the building that they have a relationship with. Advisory is on Tuesday and Thursday every week for 40 minutes. They are separated by trait teams. There are eight character trait teams, Courage, Empathy, Determination, Integrity, Confidence, Resourcefulness, Optimism, and Leadership. Students are grouped per grade per trait. It is to work on the social-emotional needs of each student.

Eighth graders will get high school exposure. There is a great description on the Sabin website at: [Advisory](#)

Some students are liking Advisory and some aren't. Administration is visiting classrooms. Mr. Welch would like feedback if students don't think advisory is working.

Capturing Kids Hearts (CKH) was also discussed. Each class should have a Social Contract. 80% of staff is trained in CKH.

Improving character will help improve academics. Every student needs to feel safe, cared for, and safe to take risks.

Email Laura Deck if you have any input/questions at laura.deck@d11.org

5) Unified Improvement Plan Input – Achieve Net Test Results

Mr. Welch gave out a handout of ANet scores from the first quarter. There is a schedule of assessed standards. All standards can be found at <http://www.corestandards.org/>. Forty schools are part of the ANet network. Scores showed how Sabin performed as compared to schools in the network. Teachers can see the questions from the test and the answers given so they can see what concepts are not being understood. A coach from ANet comes and helps teachers understand the standards and instructional practices for teaching those standards. We will continue to monitor scores quarterly.

In Math, the scores showed Sabin performing below the Network scores. In ELA, Sabin scores were mostly above the Network scores. A full-time educator is going to be hired for math intervention.

6) Achieve 3000 Test Results

Grade Level teams are currently looking at how Achieve is used in the classroom. Here is the data on how students are performing:

	Total Students	Total # Activities Below 75%	Total # of Activities at 75% and Above
Grade 6	227	1278	1192
Grade 7	237	1137	1301
Grade 8	245	621	1219
School Total:	709		

There has been 2% increase in lexile level.

7) Tutoring and Instruction Supports Update

Reading Intervention uses Read 180 and small group instruction to work with the students to grow.

Tutoring available on Tuesdays and Thursdays before (7:30-8:30am) and after (3:45-4:45) school in room 104. There is help with homework, questions, and understanding concepts.

We have received money for a full time math interventionist. The person will start first semester.

8) District Accountability Committee Information

SAC Training occurred on November 9.

Bright Spots Initiative was presented by Dave Engstrom. One of the best practices was small group instruction. There is supposed to be a report issued by Thanksgiving.

Henry Elementary Staff presented best practices for their success on growth scores for the last few years. It was very exciting to see how cohesive and focused all the staff was for success.

9) Budget Updates

A budget handout was provided.

10) Good News

Veteran's Day Assembly well done. Mitchell Drill Team participated as well as Sabin's band, orchestra, and choir. There was a reception afterwards for veterans.

11) Upcoming School Events

Lion King the Musical is being performed Thursday, November 16 and Friday, November 17.

Orchestra concert – November 14 at Mitchell

Band concert – November 15 at Mitchell

Choir early December concert

Safe School Survey will be taken right after Thanksgiving break.

12) Other Discussion

There will be a survey coming out for a committee to work on what will be done with iPads next year.

Now that the mill levy passed when will an SRO be added at Sabin?

There was some discussion about the transparency from D11 administration about the students who were arrested earlier in the year. There have been many rumors going around.