

Sabin Middle School
School Accountability Committee
12/9/19

Attendance:

Parent Members:

Neil Pettigrew(Chair)

Velvet Stepanek

School Members:

Bill Walker

Jared Welch

Community Members:

Jan Rennie

Minutes:

1. Introductions

Jan Rennie lives in the Sabin neighborhood. We went through introductions.

2. Approve agenda

Agenda was approved.

3. Approve minutes from the November meeting

Minutes approved.

4. SAC Training Update

Thursday, November 7th, 2019, 6 – 8 pm, Tesla auditorium

Dr. Michael Thomas: The Strategy Plan moving into the Academic Master Plan and the role the SAC will play in that work.

Mr. Jeff Veley: Resilience Education for Bullying Prevention. what parents/SACs can do to support their students.

The training was good. The next SAC Training is Thursday, February 4.

5. Positive Action Observations

Neil started his observations. Since Advisory is only 20 minutes per day he has had to come multiple days. Last year it was 40 minutes. He had good feedback for what he has seen.

6. Advisory Update

Advisory is 20 minutes every day this year. This means there is not enough time for the trait team competitions that have been done in the past. Students liked this competition. 6th grade groups are about 20 students. 7th and 8th grade groups are 10-15 students.

7. School Board Updates

Dr. Parth Melpakam, the recent District Accountability Committee(DAC) Chair, was elected to the board. Velvet and Neil know him from the DAC.

8. Problems with sound system at musical

There were problems with the sound system and microphones at the Little Mermaid performance. Mr. Welch said a new sound board is needed.

9. Food Pantry

The food pantry is going well. We are helping 20-30 families a week. The Sabin Community Liaison is doing a great job getting additional donations. The Youth Ventures class is doing a good job keeping the pantry organized.

10. USIP Updates

Mr. Welch talked about a budget equity exercise that will be done with SAC and other parent and community members. We will be using our priorities from the USIP: Instruction, Culture, and Climate to help frame the discussion. Currently the budget is not very flexible but that may change in the future. We will be looking at equity and priorities. We need to be more culturally relevant. Expect to hear more in January and February as we look at next years budget.

11. Exam Schedule

Aligned District Benchmark (ADB) Testing is happening Tuesday, December 10 and Wednesday, December 11 for the first two hours of the day.

12. Safe Learning Environment

We have a new visitors system. This system does a quick background screen from a driver's license. A security guard has been shifted to help at the front door during arrival and dismissal. The other security guard is working the cross walk and a teacher is working the second crosswalk. This is helping.

13. School budget

No questions about the budget.

14. Good news

Signs of Suicide training was completed. Neil brought in an article about suicide training. Musical was a success.

Girls B-squad basketball finished 6th.

A-squad tournament this weekend.

Open gym for Boys basketball has had great participation.

School from Maine came to Sabin to observe Advisory

15. Upcoming events

Orchestra Concert, December 16

Band Concert, December 12

Choir Concert, December 19

Winter Dance, December 14

All of Sabin is going to see *Harriet* the movie from December 17-19. Verizon gave the funds for this.

January 13 - Drama Club Performance

January 6th - Recharge training for Capturing Kids Hearts
January - Professional Development on SafeTalk

15. Next Sabin SAC meeting

Monday, January 6 at 6:00 in the library.