

Stephen Foster Elementary
SAC Minutes – January 14, 2019.

Attendance:

In attendance were Jeffrey Allagood (SAC Chair), Vicki Heil (SAC Secretary), Nerina Bertolino, Mary Clingan-Venable, Kimberly Hernandez, Anthony Miller, Sue Onna, Doris Panameno, Mary Santana, Natalie Havens, Stephanie Futscher, Stefanie Ferra, Heather Jordan, David Martin, Kaitlin Dayringer and Gillian Munter.

Call to Order:

A meeting of the Stephen Foster Elementary School Advisory Council was held in the media center of Stephen Foster Elementary on 01/14/2019. Chair Jeffrey Allagood called the meeting to order at 2:19 pm. Vicki Heil will record minutes for this meeting.

Minutes:

Ms. Futscher motioned to approve the minutes of 12/17/2018, with no corrections. Motion was seconded by Mrs. Miller.

New Business: Main Topics

1. The Principal's Report was delivered by Mr. Martin, Assistant Principal. Mr. Martin reported that we are in the middle of BSA testing that will help us calibrate how we are moving toward the FSA. Students in grades 3-5 took the Reading assessment on Wednesday and Thursday (January 11-12), 5th grade students took the Science assessment on Friday and Monday (January 13-14) and students in grades 3-5 will take the Math assessment on Tuesday and Wednesday (January 15-16). We also will be starting class reviews to help assess where all the students are and what support the teachers and students might need. We will then start ACCESS testing for our ELL students to help determine where they are as far as proficiency with the English language. Every ELL student is assessed one-to-one. Report cards will be issued January 30th. Also, the McTeacher's Night Fundraiser will be held on January 31st. February 2nd is the district's take-your-child-to-work day.

2. Regarding the School Improvement Plan, Mr. Martin discussed the implementation of SFE's new discipline plan. There is an emphasis on teachers maintaining their authority in the classroom. He reported that we are making improvements. The 2018-19 Stephen Foster Elementary Discipline Data for Quarter 1 and Quarter 2, 2018/19 was reviewed. First quarter referrals – 50. Second quarter referrals – 38. There was a 24% reduction in discipline referrals from Q1 to Q2. Of the 37 total students that received discipline referrals (5%), 17 have received more than one (2.5%). The SFE student population is 680 students. Part of the discipline plan also includes the use of positive reinforcement. Our top three incident types are (1) disobedience/ insubordination (17 total), (2) Disruption on Campus Minor (14 total), and (3) Unruly Disruptive Behavior (13 total).

3. Mr. Allagood discussed our 65% achievement goal for Reading, Math and Science and showed a brief inspirational video that emphasized the importance of reading with your child. Title 1 information was also presented by Mr. Allagood. We had a parent survey that went out to each student and are trying to get those returned.

4. SAF representative Mary Clingan-Venable reported on the most recent SAF meeting. Superintendent Runcie gave a quick speech about security. An Emergency Codes flyer was provided to SAC members to show how the county is addressing emergency situations and codes now and in the future. SAC members were invited to provide their input.

Upcoming events:

1-15 Grades 3-5 BSA Math Session 1
1-16 Grades 3-5 BSA Math Session 2
1-17 ELL Game Night 6:00 P.M. – Reading
1-18 Kid of Character Celebration Breakfast
1-21 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
1-23 Class Reviews
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1-25 Class Reviews
1-28 ACCESS Testing, Team Leader Meeting
1-30 Report Cards Issued, Positive Behavior Planning
1-31 McTeachers' Night
2-4 Honor Roll Assembly for 2nd Quarter 3 -5 grades
2-5 Lunar New Year
2-8 Kid of Character Celebration Breakfast

Next Meeting Date & Time:

The next meeting will be held at 2:15 pm on February 11, 2019 in the Media Center on the Stephen Foster Elementary campus.

Meeting Adjournment:

Motion: Mr. Allagood motioned to adjourn the meeting at 2:39 pm. Motion carried.

Submitted by,
Jeffrey Allagood
SAC Chairman
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