

Coral Springs Middle School School Advisory Council

Minutes

February 20, 2019

8:00 AM

Media Center

1. Call meeting to order (8:06 AM)
2. Motion to approve Minutes from previous meeting by N. Beaney, K. Nelson seconded
3. Department Reports
 - a. Guidance – Beaney
 - a. EOY Testing is coming up. We are working on the testing schedule.
 - b. After school camps are in the planning stages.
 - c. Douglas commemoration took place on 2/14.
 - d. Mrs. Hillmers is working on testing ESOL students.
 - e. Positive Behavior implementation is underway for the 3rd quarter.
 - f. 8th grade dance will be happening this year on May 24th from 6:30 PM to 9:30 PM.
 - g. Douglas and Glades are coming next week to register 8th graders for high school.
 - h. Elementary schools will be coming next week as well.
 - b. Math – Byrd
 - a. After a country wide review of specific math standards was conducted it was determined that the Probability and Statistics area showed the least amount of learning gains. Additionally, the report revealed:
 - i. 30% of content standard was covered in 7th grade.
 - ii. Textbooks fell short of emphasis on variability and conceptual understanding.
 - iii. Teachers were not typically prepared to teach statistics.
 - b. An intervention program (Supporting Teacher Enactment of the Probability and Statistics Standard- STEPSS) was developed and led by the American Statistical Association. Concurrently, the intervention program is being implemented by Florida State University's Mathematics Department. The university's trainers travel throughout the state providing classroom effective practice for 7th grade teachers.
 - i. Intervention Process:
 - a. Focus on 7th Grade (regular and advance classes).
 - b. Teacher receive four days of Professional Development.
 - c. Curriculum resources (lesson plans, etc.) with a high alignment to the Statistics and Probability Standard.
 - ii. Expected Outcomes:
 - a. Implementation of replacement unit for statistics and probability standards in seventh-grade classrooms.
 - b. Increased academic rigor and active learning opportunities for students.
 - c. Increases in student achievement on proximal and distal measures.
 - iii. CSMS will receive the first classroom visit today, Mrs. Campfield-Dix's first period class (9:30 AM).
 - c. Math PLCs are utilizing the BSA results to pinpoint specific standard develop areas to assist our students to achieve learning gains or better yet at reach (proficiency or above proficiency) levels across all three grade levels.
 - d. Sixth grade teachers were trained on the paper-based testing practices to prepare the students for the FSA changes (Gridded Response Practice) and provided a plethora classroom support resources:
 - i. Exit Tickets (pdf)
 - ii. Warmups (pdf)
 - e. Furthermore, seventh grade teachers will be trained at the next PLC on the FSA changes (new Editing Task Choice and Equation Editor Item).
 - f. Textbook adoption is currently in the final phase. As soon the District makes a final decision the information will be shared.

- g. BCCTM Competition is scheduled for March 9th, Saturday 8:30 AM – 12:00 PM at Sawgrass Springs Middle School.
- c. Science – Dollins
 - a. Two 7th grade teams are going to Jonathan Dickinson State Park this Friday (2/22/19).
 - b. A 6th grade team (620) is setting up a Rubik's cube club. They are organizing a team day to beat the world record of the most people solving a Rubik's cube at one time Thursday February 21st (early release).
 - c. eCybermission projects are due this Friday (2/22/19).
 - d. Robotics tournament this Saturday at Stranahan High School.
 - e. February 14th Peace Day – Science classes completed a lesson on upcycling and water consumption and students made water bottle flowers.
- d. Social Studies – Opthof
 - a. History Day is this Friday, Feb 22nd at Pompano Beach High School. We have Mr. Dadas and Dr. Reynolds attending. They feel we have an amazing group of students representing CSMS this year.
 - b. The MSD Commemoration Unity Flowers have been displayed in the cafeteria. We focused on inspiration and unity and I believe the students got a lot out of the activity.
 - c. Mr. Dombkowski is starting his Public Service Announcement Project. Students are required to record a 3-5 minute PSA. It focuses on the Bill of Rights and how it applies in the real world.
 - d. Civics: We will be done with the curriculum in 22 days. We are in the process of planning a parent night to inform parents of all things related to the EOC and helping their son/daughter to prepare for it. We are also planning our Camp (likely after the parent informational night).
- e. Literacy – DeStefano
 - a. Celebrate Literacy week was successful; Mrs. Sadowski won our door contest and 7th grader Ana Parvin won the bookmark contest. Both winners each received a new set of Harry Potter novels.
 - b. BSA testing was successful and the instant results were very informative
 - c. ELA teachers have individually conferenced with students about their writing simulation results and areas for personal improvement. Great feedback regarding the writing conferences; we look forward to conducting two sessions next year.
 - d. FAIR testing will resume through Intensive Reading classes
 - e. We are anxiously awaiting Accelerated Reader. Teachers will be trained March 6th and this program will fortify our independent reading expectations and allow opportunities to reward reading across the school.
 - f. Literary Fair entries are being submitted to the district this week.
- f. Electives – Levinsky
 - a. Band
 - i. Talent Show ticket sales today and continue through March 5th. Tickets are \$5 for ages 9 and up.
 - ii. All-County Jazz Concert is today at 6:30 PM at the Coral Springs Center for the Arts. We have 7 students from CSMS performing in this concert. The concert is free.
 - iii. Band Parent Meeting will be Tuesday, February 26th at 6:30 PM in the Band room.
 - iv. On Thursday, February 21st we will be hosting a pre-music performance assessment featuring bands from West Glades MS, Stoneman Douglas HS, and our CSMS Wind Ensemble. The event begins at 6:30 PM and ends at 8 PM. This event is free to the public.
 - b. PE
 - i. Will be having a Hoops for Heart Fundraiser for the American Heart Association on March 8th.
 - c. Drama
 - i. Troupe 88547 competed at the Florida Jr State Thespian Festival in Orlando. Every student placed with a medal and one student received a Critics Choice and was able to perform at the closing ceremony in front of 5000 performers.

- ii. Ms. Thomas will be announcing our cast list for "The Lion King" this weekend via our drama website and Remind. We are performing our show on May 9th and 10th in the CSMS Cafe'. Tickets are \$5 and the show starts at 7 PM.
 - iii. They are in need of several random donations and could also benefit from a corporate sponsor, if you know of any company that would like to sponsor or Cast/Crew shirts, or the Cast/Crew dinner please let me know.
 - iv. Some of the things they could use an old set of vertical or horizontal blinds, pool noodles, chicken wire, foam board, macramé beads (or any wooden or colorful beads) and luau/grass skirts.
- d. Art
- i. 7th/8th graders are submitting their art work for the "Doodle 4 Google" art contest. This year's theme is "When I Grow up... I hope..."
- e. Speech/Debate
- i. CSMS hosted its first debate tournament on Saturday 1/26/19 and it was a huge success thanks to all the parent and student support. The kids did an awesome job hosting and competing. CSMS came away with four 1st place trophies, six 2nd place plaques, and ten medals.
 - a. Trophy (4) – Olivia Alvarez and Emma Betancourt; Charles Dellaria Jr., Maya Gordon.
 - b. Plaques (6) – Pooja Gudoor; Aiden Lapaglia and Ben Adelman; Eva Forrest; Roveschey Veillard; Alyssa Paris.
 - c. Medals (10) – Aisha Hashmi, Rebecca Dadlani, Carly Rogalla, Victoria Zaharis, Alexander Davis, Jada Lemy, Kate Becker, Shreyan Singha, Ivy Lam, Dev Ahand.

4. Partners Report – Nelson

- a. Mathnasium and Education-Wise will be attending the Curriculum Night on February 28th.
- b. Thank you to Mathnasium for their donation for our teachers and the day of remembrance.
- c. Thank you to Jersey Mike's for donating meals for our staff on this day.
- d. Thank you to Nothing Bundt Cakes for the Bundtini's.
- e. Thank You to Manhattan Bagel Co. for the bagels.

5. Title I Report – Nelson

- a. Please take a minute to fill out the Annual Title I School Parent and Family Engagement Survey. This survey can be found on the CSMS website on the home page. Scroll down to School News and Click on the link "Annual Title I School Parent and Family Engagement Survey" This survey is anonymous and helps us to see what things we are doing well and what things we need to improve upon.
- b. Title I is having a Curriculum Night on February 28th from 6:00-7:30 PM in the Stallion Café. The evening will highlight core and elective courses for our students and parents. Teachers of core and elective course will be on sight to answer questions and discuss curriculum for next year's courses.
- c. The District will be holding a Title I event; STEM Fest. STEM Fest will be March 9th at the Fort Lauderdale Executive Airport. This free event is for the whole family with activities and presentations. Please see the CSMS website under Title I events for the event flyer.
- d. FSA Scores have been completed for 6th grade and counselors are going over the 7th and 8th grade scores this week. If parents have any questions about their students' scores, please contact their school counselor.
- e. Title I parent committee met Feb. 5th. We went over last year's parent engagement activities. The committee thought the activities we had on the 18-19 activities were fitting and they wanted to keep those activities include: Stallion Stampede, Annual Title I Meeting and Open House, Curriculum Night, SMART Parent Training. The allocation for the activities work so will keep the same funding source/amounts.
- f. The School to Parent compact was reviewed. No changes were suggested. However, parents were wondering if we could have an electronic form available in addition to the paper copies. Will look into this before the final vote.
- g. Before making a final vote, we are going to look at the Annual Title I School Parent and Family Engagement Survey results to make sure we are not missing anything. This applies to the allocations as well.

- h. Next Title I Parent meeting will be Wednesday, March 6th at 8:00 AM. All parents interested in helping with the Title I Addendum, Parent Involvement allocations and survey results are encouraged to attend.
- 6. PTA – Lev (not present; information delivered by Mrs. La Rosa)
 - a. Stop the Bleed kits are paid for and on the way.
 - b. The spring book fair is being moved to the second week of April.
- 7. Principal's Report – Sara La Rosa
 - a. The MSD Commemoration was as warm and comfortable as possible for our students and staff.
 - b. Tomorrow we are celebrating our TOY and EOY at the Caliber Awards at 5 PM.
 - c. Next month we are going to apply for The Cambridge Program and we hope to be able to implement it in the 2020-2021 school year.
 - d. Barnes & Noble night is coming up.
 - e. March 22nd we have our active killer training with the police department.
- 8. Next SAC meeting is 3/20/19 at 8 AM
- 9. Motion to adjourn by V. Lopez; seconded by R. Byrd.