

School Site Council Meeting #3

Date: February 12, 2019
Time: 5:00 PM
Location: Room 903

Presents: Andrea Lebron, Rowena Valerio, Kalyani Karra, Vienna Bautista, Lani De La Torre, Jason Colón, Christopher Collins, Alessandra Faggionato, Alice gonzalez, Chelsea Kloosterman, Erika barragan

For the Public: Roger Valerio

Absent: Zila Alonso

Minutes

- 1) Roll Call
 - a) The meeting was called to order at 5:33 due to lack of quorum before.
- 2) Public Comment
 - a) None
- 3) Review and Approval of Agenda
 - a) Agenda was approved as written.
- 4) Review and Approval of Meeting #2 Minutes
 - a) Minutes were approved
- 5) Non-academic Indicators
 - a) School Budget Update
 - i)
 - b) Enrollment and Attendance
 - i) Mr Colon gave the numbers of 23 students enrolled this year, but attendance still low. Principal had already conferences with some of the underperforming students in third grade that are part of the absence problem. Ms Lani and Ms Vicky are trying to find

more ideas that help to improve the absences. We already did some incentives, like the wheel and some raffles and still not improving. Ms Iani explained that 3 Us equals to 1 truancy and some letters had been already sent home., Next step is a meeting with Mr Colon, Ms Iani and Ms Vicky and that is already happening.

- ii) Vienna suggested catching the late students before they become truants. Andrea suggested to create a carpool with parents to the different cities and maybe give parents some hours if they pick up more kids.
- iii) It will be beneficial to do sometype of shout outs every day for classes with good attendance. Charge parents for truancy. (?) and visit the truant students at home.

c) Home Visits and Parent Partnership Hours

- i) Parents hours were increased but we still have more work to do to engage parents. Some parents are running centers and Ms Lani gave the idea of doing a workshop for parents.

d) Student Behavior

- i) No changes. Andrea suggested having a meeting with all 3th grade parents.

6) Principal Reports

a) Midyear School Budget Update

- i) Because we are over enroll and under attendance, our budget is borderline. The range of books increased, paper and office supplies, and like we are renting our space there are too many small fixes to do. Some ideas about fundraising were given.

b) NWEA MAP Fall to Winter Growth Summary

- i) Our personal goal is 1.4 but we are in 1.06. Mr Colon and Ms Brown are starting to support more humanities teachers.
- ii) For reading, K shows grow at 1.39 and 1st G 1.09 but the other levels are below 1.0. Mr Colon assured parents that they can ask leaders to update the trackers because some of them are not being updated.....We have many students below level and is very concerning; some of them are new students and we are working strategically to cover that.
- iii) In math we have grow except for 2nd and 4 grade. 2G did not have math teacher for a while and that affected the students

performance.

- iv) It was asked what is the procedure to prevent not to have teachers during the school year. Mr Colon explained that it was out of our control what happened this year because the teachers that left made their own decision and some of them did not give enough advance notice.
- v) A parent asked that we should investigated why MDUSD can have the same teachers for many years and we don't. Mt Diablo school district offers contract to teachers, but Rocketship do not do that. Ms Kloosterman explain her view from a teacher perspective and how the workload here is harder than in the other districts and that make some teachers quit.
- vi) How parents can help? sometimes teachers do not ask for help because is easier for them to do the job themselves instead of teaching the parents to do the job and then review it. There are two Rocketship schools that are doing great job retaining their teachers but the other 13 schools still trying to figure it out. We need to work more on supporting our teachers before they get tired and frustrated with all the work. As a parent they feel like they should approach teachers more to thank them for their work. This might help them when making a decision to stay or go. Mr. Colon says there are things the networks they need to in order to retain teachers, but at there are several other factors that go into why a teacher might leave.

7) President Report and Priorities Update/Discussion

a) Traffic

- i) still meeting and fliers have been sent out. in March there another meeting to be scheduled to see if there has been any progress. Mr. Colon has met with SENCA to address some of the issues that they have stated. Mrs. Lani says she is taking volunteers to help police the parking lot and make sure parents are following the parking rules.

b) Events

- i) Mr. Colon made the announcement that at the end of the month we will be holding the Black History Month. Vienna asked how we performed in the first year compared to this year. Mrs. Colon discussed some to the reason as to why the attendance was down

but stated this still did not make for excuses for having the numbers we saw last year. Parent suggested that we should educating parents as opposed to educating the children alone. Mrs. Lani discussed other events that would be coming up in the final week of February. There was a discussion on merging book sale with the Black History Celebration to bring in more attendance.

c) Conferences

- i) most have been done this week.

d) Meal Payments

- i) Mrs. Lani stated we are at 5 thousand dollars owed to the school for unpaid lunches. Tomorrow Mrs. Alice and Vicky will be holding students in order to make contact with parents to pay off lunch fines and to help them get signed up for the free or reduced lunch. Rowena asked how often parents were notified about lunch payments, Mrs. Lani said that they were notified once a month. Jessica asked that we raise awareness on teaching parents how to use the "my mealtime" app in order pay for lunches.
- ii) A parent asked that the students not get TV time during lunch because they will not eat for being watching TV. Mr Colon explained that we do not allowed that.

8) Announcements

- a) Ms Lani asked for volunteers to help Ms vanessa on Thursday 2/14 to do inventory.

9) Adjourn

- a) Ms Kloosterman called for adjourn and it was second it by Vienna. Meeting adjourned at 6:58 PM