

School Leadership Team

Meeting Minutes October 12, 2020

- I. Welcome and approval of <u>September 14</u> minutes including items in Safety and Title IV log 7:30-7:35p
  - A. Discuss any necessary changes
  - B. Vote on approval
  - A. Reminder: Next meeting November 9 @ 7:30-8:30p (2nd Monday of the month)

Attendees:	Attendees cont.:
Brandi Marks, Parent Brooklyn Hough, Principal CeCe Muhizi, Parent Courtney Hubbard, Principal Fellow Courtney Riley, Teacher (Art) Cristy Travaglino, Parent, Chair Cynthia Karim, Parent Laura Bernstein, Parent, Recorder Maniya Arrington, PTA President Megan Last, Teacher (3rd grade)	Michele Baxley, Teacher (6th grade) Rebecca Grgurina, Asst Principal Yahaira Jackson, Parent, Timekeeper Kelly Taylor, Talent Development Emily Bullard, Teacher (Kindergarten) Lisa Vaughan, Parent Not Present Amber Heine, K-2 Counselor Ann Phillips, Sr Admin Secretary Gayahri Dharmalingam, Parent Sarah Jane, Teacher's Assistant
September 14, 2020 Minutes were approved.	

## II. Teacher feedback on how students are doing with curriculum and grades - 7:35-7:45p

Teachers reported that most students and families are making the best of the situation. Kindergarten: Assessments are in progress. There is a heavy parent presence for Kindergarteners as expected.

Grades 1 - 5: Understanding schedules and participation in class activities is getting better. 3rd graders adapting to new methods, technology and navigating the Canvas system.

Grade 6: Many 6th graders are struggling with the transition to Middle School expectations. It is difficult to keep pace with what would be in-class activity. Many students and parents are stressed. There is increased rigor in Middle School and many students used to getting high grades are experiencing failure for the first time.

General/Overall: Middle School students seem to be struggling more than Elementary students. If grades are indicative of understanding the material, there is a need to re-teach some material. Specials Teachers (Art) reporting trouble with missing assignments. 6th grade and some Elementary grades reporting the same issue.

- III. School pictures with St. John Photography 7:45-7:55p
  - A. November 17 A group
  - B. November 19 B group
  - C. November 20 D group
  - D. Make-up day Wednesday, December 2nd

This schedule is confirmed for outdoor pictures; however, final approval is pending. As a new school this year's school pictures are important for both morale and fund raising.

- IV. Plan for returning to in-person school 7:55-8:20p
  - A. 6ft social distancing relaxed on buses and in school due to space constraints
  - B. Meeting with teachers between 10/7 and 10/14 to formulate plan
  - C. Goal is to keep students with their current teachers
  - D. Safe handling of masks if allowed to take off outside
  - E. CMS sending out weekly email updates on metrics for remaining in-person

A Town Hall meeting is scheduled for 10/22/20 to address return-to-school logistics. The original C group has now been split into the A & B groups and this was primarily based on transportation considerations to ensure social distancing/limited crowding on the bus. The largest class group is our 3rd grade. Some social distancing rules have been relaxed by the District but teachers and administrators will be working hard to adhere to the highest standards of safety and security.

## V. Closed session - 8:20-8:30p

- A. Safety and/or Title IV issues (if any)
- B. Any safety and Title IV issues discussed are captured in a separate issue log and not part of the SLT minutes.

Meeting adjourned 8:35 pm. Unofficial conversation about return-to-school continued for anyone interested.