School Leadership Team

Meeting Agenda
July 12, 2021

I. Welcome and approval of June 14 minutes including items in Safety and Title IX log - 7:30-7:40p
    A. Vote on minutes approval
    B. Reminder: Next meeting is August 9 @ 7:30-8:30p (2nd Monday of the month)

II. SLT Officer elections for 2021-22 - 7:40-7:50p
    A. Nominations received as of 7/9:
        1. Chair (parent): Cristy Travaglino
        2. Co-chair (staff): Lauriel Faltin, Alyssa Belles
        3. Secretary: Laura Bernstein
        4. Time-keeper: Brandi Marks

III. State of the school presentation on student performance - 7:50-8:25p
    A. Share feedback that has been provided
    B. Additional feedback

IV. Closed session - 8:30p
    A. Safety and/or Title IX issues (if any)

Upcoming topics:

- August – Review and approve photographers
- August – Review SIP goals – update
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Feedback from State of the School Presentation

Visual from B. Grgurina
https://www.learninglinks.org.au/why-children-must-read-20-minutes-each-day/

Feedback from Bernstein

1. **Reading Rewards Program Feedback** - I did not put this in the Minutes so I am writing it here as I know our next meeting will capture feedback. I'm just re-stating that pedagogically a rewards program as described works best for kids who like to read (and typically does not incent kids who don't like to read).
2. **Related to professional development for teachers AND guest STEAM speakers for students in Middle School** - Wanted to be sure you know that I am a Digital Transformation Advisor for SAP. I work in our Chief Customer Office and spend half of my time using technology-enabled design thinking tools (i.e. Mural) to facilitate ideation, learning and journey map sessions and half my time advising c-level professionals in the areas of agile methodology, digital transformation, learning & change strategy, and everything related to how people, process, and technology come together to design the future of work. I also teach several HR courses in the online Masters program for WPU. Sharing all this to say that if you want to talk about a special enablement session for teachers or if the Middle School is interested in any type of "intro to technology careers" type guest speaker, I'm happy to engage. Just let me know if you want to talk about this.
3. **PBL** - Related to #5/middle school - Similar offer - if the Middle School would like any type of intro to Mural as a project-based learning enabler, I'm happy to talk with the teaching team about this.

Feedback from Travaglino

Are you also planning to have daily reading a requirement? In light of what Laura shared, I think it would be beneficial to do that. We can still offer challenges if you want, but I think that requiring daily reading may have benefits of increasing participation and teaching responsibility. It also demonstrates the importance of reading to both students and parents if you are making that the primary homework requirement.

We've been working on math facts this summer, and it is a battle! She doesn't want to practice them because they require effort since she hasn't memorized all of them yet. If practicing them was part of an optional challenge, I know she wouldn't do it. I share this only to show that if we think learning math facts are important, we should make sure the work is required during school...not a challenge they have the option to participate in or not.