Mission
Ranson IB is a passionate community that is student centered, building leaders who are globally prepared agents of social change

Objective
By the end of today’s meeting, members will be to better understand the 2020-2021 School Reopening Process and it’s updates.

Meeting Minutes
Call to Order: Chairman Becoats called the November 18, 2020 meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

The following members were present:
   a. Chairman Becoats
   b. Assistant Secretary Pappas
   c. Principal Brown
   d. Jonnecia Alford
   e. Ashley Best
   f. Deadra Hall
   g. PTSA President Sharay Jackson
   h. PTSA Secretary Amy Jones
   i. Phillip Middleton
   j. Olivette Myers
   k. Jon Rochester
   l. Kim Smoak (Invited Guest)
   m. Elijah Watson

There were also numerous members of the public present at the October 28, 2020 meeting.
Adoption of Agenda: Chairman Becoats informed SIT members that the agenda was sent out prior to the November 18, 2020 meeting. He asked if there were any changes or additions to the agenda. There were not. The agenda was approved as presented.

Adoption of Minutes: Chairman Becoats informed SIT members that the minutes of the October 28, 2020 Meeting were sent out prior to the November 18, 2020 meeting. He asked if there were any changes or additions to the minutes. There were not. The agenda was approved as presented.

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business to be discussed.

New Business:
- School Reopening Updates
  - Principal Brown presented information on school reopening updates.
  - The following was shared:
    - Social Distancing must take place on the buses per Governor Cooper’s orders. Instead of having two to three students to a seat, you can now only have one student to a seat for a total of 24 students per bus. This means that more buses and bus drivers are needed for the 2020-2021 school year.
    - CMS has delayed the middle school return to in-person learning until January 5, 2021.
    - Information packets to include student schedules and updated transportation information will be shared prior to our January 2021 return.
      - A CMS transportation survey was shared via student email accounts and via text messages. A full remote academy survey also sent out. This information will help Ranson IB plan for if your scholar is remaining in full remote learning or coming back in-person.
      - All forms are due by November 30, 2020.
    - We have also introduced a new Ranson Raider Resource Hub website.
      - The website contains return to school information and weekly announcements/updates from Principal Brown to review at their convenience.
- PTSA Update
  - PTSA President Jackson presented updates on the Ranson IB PTSA.
  - The following was shared:
    - Vice President was moved to the Treasurer role.
    - For the 2020-2021 school year, the PTSA is working towards increased parent engagement.
    - The PTSA is also updating website with current PTSA information.
The next meeting of the Ranson PTSA will be December 8, 2020 at 5 pm.

Reports:
- Principal’s Report
  - Principal Brown provided the following updates as a part of her Principal’s Report:
    - 1st & 2nd Quarter Progress
      - Ranson IB has had success in terms of the amount of scholars that we have been able to contact. We have an attendance rate of appropriately 80% of our students being present each day.
      - From the instructional side, scholars are not doing well academically with challenges turning in assignments to numerous Canvas issues.
        - As a result, gradebooks will be reopened and scholars will have the opportunity to submit missing assignments to boost their first quarter grades.
      - As of November 18, 2nd quarter Progress Reports will be available in PowerSchool.
      - Families can also request Parent-Teacher Conferences by contacting your child’s teachers and/or grade-level counselors.
    - Panorama Survey Results
      - Students took two surveys.
      - The first survey examined how scholars feel about their well-being. The results are as follows:
        - ⅔ of the student body felt they had a good relationship with adults;
        - 57% reported positive feelings over the past 30 days;
        - 51% reported they had challenging feelings;
        - 51% reported favorable for social awareness;
        - 50% reported having a growth mindset;
        - Ranson IB saw declines in emotional regulation and self efficacy;
        - Ranson IB scholars are having difficulty controlling their emotions and/or expressing how they feel; and
        - Ranson IB scholars have confidence in their self efficacy.
      - The second survey examined how scholars feel about their relationships with adults.
      - The results are as follows:
        - Increase in their positive feelings towards their teachers; and
        - Extra curricular activities and clubs are starting to form to increase student sense of belonging.
- Principal Brown also walked everyone through the new Ranson Raider Resource Hub and where how to find it.

- Chair’s Report
  - Chairman Becoats provided the following updates as a part of his Chair’s Report on the Continuous School Improvement process & SIT Updates.
    - The School Leadership Team is transition the School Improvement Team per district-wide change;
    - Ranson SIT Chair is requesting adoption of new language per the district;
    - The team needs to continue to recruit and engage families to the School Improvement Team in order to meet the 50% family engagement policy; and
    - We will are going to continue to work towards a continuous improvement process per the district for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year.

Adjournment: Chairman Becoats adjourned the November 18, 2020 SIT meeting at 5:31 pm.

Submitted Respectfully,

Braxton G. Becoats
Chairman
Ranson IB Middle School SIT/SLT

Nicole Pappas
Timekeeper/Assistant Secretary
Ranson IB Middle School SIT/SLT

Date: November 18, 2020