R.B. Hunt Elementary

January 9, 2018

SAC Minutes

A meeting of the R.B. Hunt Elementary School Advisory Council was held in the Media Center on January 9, 2018.

Beth Cleary called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

The following people were in attendance: Amanda Garman, Beth Cleary, Donna Aunchman, Stephanie Nehemias, Lauren Leth, Elena Laguardia, Susie Gorick, Peter Morin, Tommy Bledsoe, Bonnie Proctor, Meredith Conroy, Jen Stevenson

Meredith Conroy made a motion to approve the minutes from last month’s meeting. Lauren Leth seconded that motion.

Beth Cleary welcomed everyone to the meeting. She then brought everyone’s attention to the agenda items:

School Recognition Funds Plan:

Beth Cleary shared message from Andrew Hurley about possible school improvement funds. Beth shared what we agreed on last year. Stephanie Nehemias asked about AR funding for next year, Amanda Garman shared that extended day funds should be able to cover it. Meredith Conroy shared her happiness with it (AR) as a parent. Susie Gorick shared other that school’s media centers are having problems with reading when the program was removed from the school. Peter Morin asked about other subject area programs, and the team discussed the resources we are lucky to have in place due to PTAO.

Vision and Mission Statement:

Amanda Garman shared we just finished accreditation in December. She shared the mission/vision has not been changed in many years. The team looked over current mission/vision statement. Jen Stevenson shared adding something about technology. Stephanie Nehemias shared that maybe we need to shorten our mission, turn it into more of a mantra. Jen Stevenson pointed out Amanda Garman’s mission statement; could we incorporate it into our school mission? Elena Laguardia wanted to add challenging students “every student reaching every potential”.

Professional Learning Communities:

Amanda Garman shared that the big focus is teacher collaboration, student learning, and growth. This year our resource team came together so that every grade level can meet once a week to discuss grade level academic concerns. Amanda shared that she thought by giving teachers time, they would be able to collaborate. She realized she needed to bring the staff back together and give them more information about what is expected, so we relaunched PLCs. Tommy Bledsoe shared his big takeaway from trainings :what do they know, what do I do to teach it, what happens if they don’t know it still, and how do I challenge them?” Amanda Garman shared “The whole process will evolve and grow as needed”.

Elena brought us back to mission statement, asking if we will revise with multiple groups involved.

Peter Morin asked what other schools shared. Amanda Garman shared:

* teachers were from Gamble Middle School
* they meet twice a month and asked to meet another month
* the teachers would extremely excited
* Teachers share the workload

Questions:

Peter Morin asked about middle school transition, Jen Stevenson shared that middle schools present for all parents.

Peter Morin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:56. Mereditch Conroy seconded the motion.

Beth Cleary adjourned the meeting at 3:57 p.m.