

SIC Meeting minutes for November 28, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:31 am

Mrs. Kubbs provided a building and districtwide update.

Enrollment is still at 1020 students. We lost 2 students and gained 2 Kindergartners.

Staff update- Special Education teacher, Kristine Beardsley, is relocating to Arizona. Her intern, Donna Koenig, has been hired to fill her vacancy. Kristin Flis has started as DBES School Psychologist.

The statewide school report cards release date has been delayed but should be coming out in the very near future. The district will provide talking points to communicate to other parents. They do not anticipate the reports to be kind to high performing districts.

All district administration are participating in a Leadership Academy. This includes 4 coaching cycles hosted at different schools in the district. The purpose is to train administration to provide 30 second (positive) feedback when participating in teacher classroom observations.

Review of School Improvement Plan (SIP)-

This is a 5 year plan and we have until 2021 to meet the goals outlined.

Goal 1- Professional Learning Communities

Goal 2- Best practices in instruction

Goal 3-Aligns curriculum and assessments

Goal 4-Performance data for continuous improvement

Goal 5-Effective leadership and communication

Goal 6-Resources and services ensure success for all students

Peer observation is a goal that administration has deemed needs improvement and allowing teachers the opportunities to visit and observe other classrooms. The major obstacle to achieving this is coverage in the classrooms. The school will be considering more creative ways to provide this time to teachers.

General discussion on the DBES parent handbook and that people are not utilizing it as a resource due to its format. The school is receiving a lot of phone calls that are answered in the handbook. One goal for the school is to train parents to utilize the handbook as a resource and redesign the handbook to be more user friendly.

Mrs. Pollard spoke about the math resource site for parents that Mrs. Swigunski is in the process of creating.

The 3 areas of focus this year for the SIC will be:

1. Path to the Trail bridging program for rising 6th graders.
2. Improvement of the parent handbook
3. School wide survey

The bridging program has had a great deal of success in the district with assisting students in smoother transitions from middle to high school. The schools are reporting better prepared students, fewer questions and less anxiety amongst students.

The survey will be going out in early February to allow time to analyze the data and report back at March SIC meeting. The survey will also include teachers and staff this year. The survey will be completely anonymous.

SIC goal sub-committees:

Parent Handbook-

Amanda

Celia

Heather

Suchi

Jenna

Michelle

Path to the Trail-

Celia

Amy

Angela

Teri

John

Jacqueline

Sub-committees will meet at our next SIC meeting on December 12, at 7:30 am.

We currently have guest speakers confirmed for our April and May meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 8:33 am.