# Fleming Middle School Site Council

# AGENDA / MINUTES

Fleming Middle School Staff Room - 3:35-4:05 P.M. February 22, 2017

- 1. Introduction -
  - a. Present Dianne Phelan, Sid Hobgood, Mr. Hawkins, Yvonne Hughes, Tim Kee
  - b. Absent Mr. Davis
- 2. OLD BUSINESS
  - a. 21st Century
    - i. Classes have started. Yoga is well attended. Susan Gurzell is teaching this class. She uses candles and tea, students love it. Everything else is something we have done in the past. We average 60+ students who attend classes, dance attendances are about 300 students. Mr. Davis stated at NVHS Mr. Platt runs a taekwondo class. Mr. Andrade helps sometimes too, as well as a pastor from Merlin Baptist Church, pastor Mike Friend. It might be nice to have the class here for our students. Mr. Hobgood said we have had that class in the past and we would like to have it again, but we don't have the space. Mr. Hawkins suggested another way to get kids involved in the 21st Century afterschool classes is by having exercise classes.
  - b. Questions around what students would like to do for awards assemblies has been taken to the PBIS committee. Mr. Hawkins asked if we could ask students what kind of trips they want to do for Spirit Events. Mr. Hobgood said the PBIS team is on this.

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## **NEW BUSINESS**

- d. School Improvement Plan
  - i. Review School Improvement Plan indicators
    - 1. Annual focus
      - a. DSC1.2

The school's mission and goals reflect high expectations and a vision for equity for meeting the needs of all stakeholders. (3162)

b. DSC1.3

The school's leadership plans for and implements professional development preparing teachers to support parents in the education of their children by providing in-classroom opportunities and at-home opportunities for parents. (3163)

- 2. New Indicators to assess
  - a. FC 3.1 School staff create and maintain a welcoming environment for all families and community members.
    - i. Current practice Parent night, open house, after school programs, athletics, conferences,

newsletter, PTO. PTO has given each teacher \$100.00 and paid \$3,000 for the 7th grade computer lab and \$2,200 for the lab mini blinds. Competitive sports donated girls singlets. Wrestling team is co-ed and growing. The girls are so proud of their new uniforms. Athletics is growing. We will need two buses for track this year. Parent/teacher conferences have warped in a good way. We may be losing a day due to the snow. The newsletter going out once a month. It is sent through e-mail to all parents as well as being on the school website. Sid is still learning the publisher program. It's hard to put links in it. The template looks better, but the program isn't as user friendly. Mr. Hawkins talked about getting to know teachers on a personal level. He would like to get to know teachers as neighbors, human beings. It might be a good project for the leadership class. They could interview teachers. Sid has an idea about this. Leadership can do a quick interview, 5 things you didn't know about "Mr. Kee" for example. We could have it change each year. We could plan a time to have suggestions from the community. Maybe Friday at 4:00 meetings open to the public to let the community come talk about any issues they have. Yvonne suggested having principal available during conferences.

- ii. How to enhance? Parking lot issues? We had the buses in the front parking lot, off of Monument. We changed that to have the buses pick up on San Francisco. Mr. Hawkins suggested that we have two lanes, and mark them better. It would be nice to have some big trees and picnic tables out in the grass area. It would be a good place to have for parents to get together while waiting for students. Sid suggested to get the Leadership involved in this. Sid was hoping maintenance would get rid of the stumps, but they are still there.
- iii. Have band parents who play an instrument have the same music as students and then have a concert at the end of the school year. Great photo op!
- b. FC 3.7 School staff involves parents and students in setting student goals and preparing the student for postsecondary education and careers. Unfunded mandate, used to be tracked. How do we bring Career

education back? Mrs. Acosta and North Valley High School will have 6th-12th graders for career planning. They hope to have 10 students participate. They will compete in 50 different categories in FBLA. They want to try to bring to the table for next year. Mrs. Acosta is ready if we are. We will be setting up a date and starting the program. High School students came in to talk with teachers about this.

i. Current practice - Career education in 6-8th grades (CIS). Software package. Open 'lockers' and find out what career you are a good fit for. Tells about the opportunities, salary, etc of the job. Hard to get all students to buy into this.

#### e. School business

- i. Dude. Be nice and Kindness Campaign was a gigantic hit. Leadership, Ms. Wicks and Mr. Kemper put on a week to remember. Lot of kids got pictures and had fun.
  - Highlights: ball race with staff, petting a skunk, Dutch bros, shirts and decorations, celebrating with cool days to dress up. One student who hasn't participated in anything all year decorated his shirt. He was the only 7th grader who made a shirt. Lots of students dressed up. For teachers it was an exhausting week, but students will remember this. Student/staff race, students loved that they won!
- ii. Looking ahead to scheduling for 17-18
  - 1. Goal is to have students sign up for classes using synergy. (similar to H.S.). We want to put in what everyone is teaching next year and have students actually register. Bring book home and have parents sign and help with choosing classes. In theory we should only have to register about 160 students. We will find out what the funding is for next year. Fleming is at \$45,000. We will find out after Spring Break if we get another teacher.
- iii. SBAC Assessment is coming....
  - 1. April 10th June 9th. We will do multi-handicapped and IEP students first. Then move to reading, math, etc. We are working on getting a second person to help Tiffany. We will dial this in soon.
- iv. Behavior to date
  - See presentation- we are in a changed cycle. We used to say
    everything was unprepared, then go to defiance of authority.
    Now we go to class disruption. We have to change words and
    definitions, due to teachers who have been here for several
    years vs new teachers. Mr. Hawkins asked if there is an action

plans to drive these numbers down? Mr. Hobgood is working on this. We have staff who are changing. Mr. Hobgood would turn this into an anonymous survey. We could give it to parents at parent night. Here are options that are available, if you were the teacher what would you do? See what parents say. If your child exhibited this behavior at home, what would you tell them? This might get parents thinking. We have overwhelming support from parents to handle this behavior. Give them suggestions. We could end up getting a lot of support. Sid would like to make a google form for this. Sid wants to use the lense of wonder. What does this data mean? Let school board see this data. Can we use this to allocate funds for teacher training?

#### f. Outdoor School

- i. Dates will be June 5-7 (possibly 9th based on numbers). If we have more than 74 students.
- ii. Cost will be 40 dollars
  - Grants available for students who need it. Mrs. Durrant received a grant for McKinney - Vento for students for this. (21st Century program). Mr. Hawkins suggest having a telescope. The stars are awesome!
    - a. Applications will be available after spring break
- a. Calendar of events
  - i. Band Bowling Trip on 2/24
  - ii. Honor Roll 3/2 @ 245pm
  - iii. Career Day @ GPHS for 8th grade students 3/9
  - iv. Spring Break is 3/27 3/31
  - v. Smart Moves with Boys and Girls club begins in April 17-28. The put program around relationships, social not male/female.
- 3. OTHER

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## 4. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING -

- a. Date and Time
  - i. March 15, 2017 @ 335-400
- 5. ADJOURNED