

## SGT Minutes

October 17, 2022

Present: William Pearson, Jennean Danielson, Timothy McLellan, Brenda Wilson, Hiram Gonzalez, Jenny Varol, Nicole Asaro, Julie Dennis, Todd Resley, Stacey Armstrong, Yuko Kanazawa, Polly Foster

### Item 1

Call to order at 3:07 p.m.

### Item 2 – Public Comments

- None

### Item 3 – SGT Business

- September minutes were reviewed and approved.
- J. Dennis nominated for SGT Chair, all in favor. J. Dennis will take over next meeting. No nominations for secretary. W. Pearson will continue to assume the role.

### Item 4 Principal's Update

- The citizenship rubric in the planner was not correct this year based on SGT final version last year. Students were given a copy of the correct version to tape/glue into their planner.
- Due to increased enrollment Standley added 2 new classes to relieve the master schedule overloaded periods. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade history classes that were impacted received a message on Friday to let them know. It was only a teacher change and not period. This schedule change takes effect on the 19<sup>th</sup>. A new 6<sup>th</sup> grade social science class was added and is currently getting filled by balancing other social science classes and electives in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. We are attempting to minimize the impact and students/parents will be notified if their schedule will be changed.
- We just hired 2 new support staff (PIFs) to push into the general education classes in support of students with IEPs. All IEP students are currently covered legally and these two will be placed in classrooms based on teacher input where support is needed based on data from the first 6 weeks. Support allocations are determined based on the amount of support hours written in IEPs. The IEPs are reviewed to determine the number of staff needed to provide those support hours. We also hired a new Education Specialist to assist part time with IEP caseloads but they took another job at the last minute, so we are starting over in the hiring process. The central office is helping to support the overload of IEP cases at this time.

### Item 5 SGT Discussion/Action

- The By-Laws were reviewed by SGT and no changes were suggested.
- Food deliveries by vendors has increased for student lunches and was discussed as a potential issue. The team discussed the difference between vendors such as Grub Hub versus a parent delivery and felt we should consider banning outside vendor delivery for lunch. SGT was asked to discuss with students and staff, and we will make a determination at the next meeting. W. Pearson introduced the idea of Parent Lunch Days as a possible idea. The team suggested PTA or other volunteers could help support these lunch days. The team will also discuss bringing the sales of lunch snacks back to campus this year at a future meeting.
- J. Dennis suggested another way to improve the connection between parents and the school was more communication from the teachers regarding classroom happenings. It is a big change from elementary school, almost too much, to middle school with hardly any direct from the teacher. Parents felt, especially for 6<sup>th</sup> grade, the communication is too passive and not active. Teachers felt all the information is available on their platforms and PowerSchool for any parent

or student to know what is happening and time is a constraint. It was suggested that even a simple school messenger message would allow parents to feel connected and to connect with their students about the information. W. Pearson reviewed the two district approved learning platforms that are used, and T. Resley provided additional information on Canvas and Google.

- J. Dennis requested that we add Standards Based Learning to the next agenda meeting to specifically discuss the use of assessments only versus a quality body of evidence.

Item 6 Public Comment

- N/A

Adjourn at 4:05 p.m.

Next meeting November 28, 2022

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