

STEM School
School Accountability Committee
2012 – 2013

Date: November 7, 2012

Time: 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Location: STEM

Agenda

1. Welcome & introductions – *Franceen Thompson*
 - Meeting started at 6:30 by Franceen Thompson. In attendance Cody Blackburn and Linda Walker, Kris Miceli.

2. Staff report – given by Cody Blackburn information provided by D. Hasselbach.
 - Conferences overall went well. Some staff members were totally booked for two days. Leadership will look at prioritizing conferences with parents and students that need to talk about concerns.
 - Times for conferences were mainly upheld.
 - Concerns about teacher getting a break during conference.
 - Climate for the school – communication is being addressed; integrating Dr. Euker in with staff; address moral issues – had a “One Rule” party – about 25 staff showed up and had food - working on interpersonal staff development.

3. District Accountability Committee (DAC) report – *Fran Frantz Musgrove*
 - District Accountability Forum went well. Franceen is working on bylaws for SAC with Cody; then Board with approve prior to SAC approval.

4. PTS Organization (PTS) report – *PTS Rep*
 - Board Meeting moved to next Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2012 – Cody is trying to get a board member to attend SAC meeting one time a month.
 - PTS – has a page on website. PTS main focus will be fundraising for the school.
 - PTS have asked for a teacher wish list.
 - Entertainment books were a PTO fundraiser; PTO is planning on investing it back into the school.
 - Next PTO meeting - second Wednesday of the month at 6:30.

5. Discuss Goals/Targets/Action Plans for 12/13 UIP – *Cody Blackburn*
 - Open enrollment has started – over 90 for 6th grade and 30th for 7th.
 - MAPS – next round January. May need to look at another assessment for this population.
 - Looking at what other STEM schools are using for assessment.
 - Issues are growth, targeted assessments, dialogue with teachers
 - Looking at kids skills and using differential instruction – leads to learning.

- Data level instruction.
- Transition classes available.
- Standardize base grading system to be discussed in December or January.
- Discussed Unified Improvement Plan for 2012-13.

6. Work on *SchoolView* Education to the Community – *Franceen Thompson*

- Schoolview.org – to communicate out to the public about how to find information about STEM and how it is performing. Then direct the public to the unified improvement plan.
- Cody will direct people to go and look at school view. Then next Cody will provide analysis in newsletter.

7. Principal's Update/Wrap Up – *Cody Blackburn*

- School Calendar – next year 2013-2014 will most likely be the traditional.
- School day looking time changes – will hear more in January.
- Franceen suggested looking at Arapahoe High School.
- Internet Update- all kids have been issued @stemhigh.org email addresses; like teacher's addresses; allows for ease of turning in homework and student collaboration.
- Walking staff through google docs. with integration by the end of the 2013.
- Still having some issue with internet availability – more of an efficiency issue. Time line is for the end of this month.
- Helping teachers deal with internet issues – most kids are able to access online.
- K-5 – nothing to report; survey out;
- Dr. Euker's background is K-8th STEM and was successful.
- Concern was expanding without completion of high school build out.
- Goal to see how many others are very interested in elementary STEM.
- Halloween Dance – Whole school dance – student council ran. Mainly middle school kids attended. High school Dance – less students. Kids had fun!
- Cody gave notes to student council on how to improve. Overall good behavior. 150+ 8th grades; 80-90 for Freshmen; 30+ Sophomores; Approx. 610 kids.
- All grades represented in student council. Leadership is upper classmen.

9. Open forum for guests – *Franceen Thompson*

Safety concerns

- Locking of the back – checking into price of key cards for front doors.
- Purchasing security system
- Unsupervised – kids dropping them off at 7 AM –
- Packing kids into front lobby at the start of school could be a fire hazard.
 - Possibly use student council members for hallway patrol.
- Several reports of gas smell in entrance - firefighters have checked and reported everything is safe.
- security cameras

· Community concerns/input - no community members present.

Next meeting: November 28, 2012 at 6:00 with no meeting in December

- Discuss goals/targets/action plans for 12/13 UIP
- DAC Forum Details

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