

SBLT Meeting via Microsoft Teams

January 21, 2021

Members in Attendance: Zimmerman (Principal), Jennings (TA), Bostick (Kindergarten), Hance (1st), Ventus (2nd), Freeman (3rd), Young (4th), Miller (5th), Cyrus (Specialist), Jackson (Treasurer),

Meeting Start Time: 3:12 pm

Grade Level Reports/Updates: None were presented.

Staff Entry/Safety Protocols

1. SBLT members were asked to rate on a scale of 1-5 the level of frustration with the current entry procedure, with 5 being very frustrated and 1 indicating no frustration. Beginning Monday, January 25 staff on green and yellow hallways may use the entrance at the bus lot, no earlier than 6:45 a.m., to decrease the congestion at the front entrance.
2. Mr. Zimmerman discussed admitting students to the building at 7:05 (five minutes earlier), in hopes of alleviating the back-up of cars in the morning and helping Specialists get to their class on time. Staff would need to arrive by 6:50 a.m. to accommodate this earlier admission time for students. Discussion involved allowing input from staff members with school-age children, an earlier start time would have parents coming earlier to line up, still causing traffic to back-up, and the issues with traffic recently may have been due in part to bus issues and therefore parents who don't usually drive their student to school not being familiar with the protocol. At this time, the entry for students will remain as 7:10 a.m.
3. District Attestation Form for Bus Riders informs GCS of how many students are on busses. The only way bus drivers know if the form has been completed is if the parent tells them. SBLT members were asked how we know if the attestation has been completed:
 - a) Dojo parent to fill in form
 - b) Ask students the questions on the form
 - c) Send home a hard copy of attestation
 - d) Address those families who are not submitting the attestation
 - e) Post a video on school website on how to fill in the form

Student Pictures

1. At least 150 students without student ID card
2. District wide, class pictures are not being made this year
3. Lifetouch can do individual pictures
4. Remote students can be brought for their picture from dismissal until 3:30.
5. Parents can take their child's photo, send as a jpeg and student card can be made

Black History Month

1. Young, Wooten, Mittman, and Little are co-leading a team for Black History Month
2. The theme will be HBCU
3. Classroom door decorated to represent an HBCU
4. Mittman will include information about people who attended an HBCU in her morning announcements
5. February 23 will be designated as Dr. George C. Simkins Day
6. February 25 will be Family Night: drive-up parade, give "treat bags" to each family
7. How do we start students thinking about college?
8. District intent to establish a \$10,000 scholarship fund

Title 1 Budget Update

Mrs. Jackson presented the following information

1. Update done January 15
2. \$8316.11 applied towards supplies and materials
3. Laminating film, ink cartridges for classroom printers, and give-aways for Black History event February 25 need to be purchased
4. Items for STEM night March 25
5. Money allocated for field trips could be transferred into supplies and materials
6. \$4500.00 allocated for food may need to be re-allocated
7. Cyrus would like books celebrating diversity to be purchased for the media center

8. Give to ILT representative any suggestion(s) for grade-level items and email to Z, cc'ing Jackson. Email a web link to the item to Jackson.

A suggestion was made to have inhouse "field trips" of Black performers for Black History month and televise to the classrooms, e.g. NCA&T dancers, story tellers.

Miscellaneous

Miller asked for a school letterhead to use to ask for donations for items from businesses, to be given to families at Black History Family Night.

Meeting Dismissal Time: 4:43 pm