

SLT Minutes 11.6.18

The meeting commenced at 4:03 in room 100.

Copies of the October minutes were sent via e-mail and are available on the school website. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The motion passed.

Old Business

School Leadership will continue with its subcommittee structure this year. Each meeting, these four subcommittees will report to the at large group.

- **Attendance Committee:** Jamie Davis shared an update from the committee that emphasized the need for teachers to take accurate attendance each block of the day. To help with this, Mrs. Starr has started sending reminder emails directly to people who need to take their attendance. The committee will also share best practices and a new live spreadsheet to open communication amongst all staff at the November 14 staff meeting. Mrs. Colson followed up this update with a question about ELP dates and the expectations around teacher communication. It was clarified that via email communication, it was implied that ELP communication would go out October 26 with a completion date of November 9.
- **Climate Culture:** Shawyn Newton shared that this committee has met twice to review the 2018 Teacher Working Conditions Survey. The committee will prepare an abbreviated survey for the staff to help clarify worrisome areas.
- **Mission, Vision and Core Values:** This committee is requesting SLT feedback on several proposed mission statements. SLT should provide their feedback by November 14. This feedback will help the committee better prepare a final survey to all staff to vote on a mission statement.

New Business

Starting January 3, all GCS schools will start five minutes earlier. To accommodate this five minutes, a bell schedule was proposed to SLT. The proposed bell schedule distributes the five minutes amongst the four blocks as well as balances the instructional time evenly which was not balanced in our current bell schedule. To ensure that our door system can be adjusted by January 3, SLT should be ready to vote on this bell schedule or propose a new schedule and vote on it at the December 4 meeting.

Mrs. Frissen presented the idea of our school implementing a FLEX block into our day that would be used for remediation and enrichment. SLT agreed to talk with their departments about this and bring back feedback and questions at the December 4 meeting.

The Global Leadership Team will be sending communication to club advisors about potential organizations their club can volunteer with related to our refugees and displaced peoples theme.

The January 2019 Exam Schedule was proposed. It was approved.

Mrs. Murray shared a concern from Mrs. Baker about repeat offenders being tardy to 1st block. Dr. Seagraves reminded SLT to follow the tardy policy. He will also remind all staff at the November 14 faculty meeting.

Mrs. Rich proposed two dates for the VIP program to visit our school. The dates are May 7 or May 21. With AP testing occurring during May 7, SLT agreed that May 21 would be the best date for the school.

Mr. Burton and Wesley Bowland proposed a new club called Falcons and Dragons. This club would center on playing the complex game that builds critical thinking and collaborative work. Having all necessary documentation, SLT voted to approve this club.

Parent and Student Questions / Announcements

The Senior Picnic is scheduled for June 6 at Camp Weaver, 4-6pm. This is after graduation practice which is 1-3pm.

Parents also asked about our Winter Dance. The dance will take place December 1 at Forest Oaks Country Club. It is open to 9th-12th grade Southeast students and is semi-formal. Tickets are \$10.

Dr. Seagraves shared that GoFAR will take place on Thursday November 8 this week due to PreACT testing on Wednesday. Additionally, because of the NJROTC annual inspection on November 13, the November planning period faculty meeting will take place on November 14.

The next meeting will be December 4 in room 100.

The meeting adjourned at 5:12.