

School Council Meeting April 8, 2021

Meeting started at 4:15 pm

1. School Improvement Plan

a) Review draft

- Angie asked Council members to look over the draft SIP she sent and get back into the meeting at 4:25 for a vote.

b) Coming back together, the Council members were told that Angie had taken the goal of Financial Literacy out of History and Social Studies, and given it its own category. We have received a grant for this purpose and there will be a Financial Literacy Fair along with financial literacy curriculum units on each Level

c) A question was asked by Carla about more AP courses for 10th graders. Angie explained that the College Board doesn't encourage 10th graders to take a lot of AP courses; the focus in grade 10 is on state testing and on PreAP. Angie also said that dual enrollment is another opportunity for 10th graders to get more rigorous courses.

d) The vote was taken and passed.

2. Transition to "All-in"

a) Update

- Angie asked for feedback from Council members about how the past week went
- There are about 83 additional students now at 100 and about a dozen high school students who have chosen to come back. At the end of the month there will be about another hundred or so K-8. We don't yet know about the high school.

b) Suggestions / ideas as we move forward with grades 6 to 12

- Joanne asked a question about the difficulties with the line at dismissal and wanted to know if there were any other options, liking walking up at pickup
- Angie said no, but agreed there is a problem and said that there is now a big discrepancy between front and back as far as the number of students, so she's going to be moving Randolph students to the front to help even it out.

- She explained that parents don't realize that students can be dropped off at either the front or the back - this is not the case with students who are having their classes in the tents, and isn't the case with dismissal. Having said that, dismissal has been going smoothly and is almost always complete by 3:20.
- Angie said that the majority of cars at dismissal are manually entered by her into School Pass; many parents are not using it.
- Joanne asked about pick-up for those who have students at both buildings. Angie explained that students at 100 can get picked up first and then going to the high school afterward is very fast.
- Angie said the school would like to see more high school students come back to the building rather than staying remote. Joanne offered ideas on how to encourage them to come back.
- Angie pointed out that being without athletics hasn't helped bring students back.
- She does think that having K-5 in the building has gone very smoothly. There was general agreement on this

3. Student and Family Handbook

a) Input from stakeholders

- Angie is looking for feedback from both students and teachers about the Handbook, things they would like to see changed.
- One of the things Angie wants to address is the use of cell phones, at the high school particularly. She asked if Mary would like to bring the subject up at a high school level meeting. Angie feels that the increased use of cell phones has been detrimental, particularly socially, while also being beneficial for technological reasons.
- The state has asked us to clean up our disciplinary policy, which Angie is going to work on. Everything that needs to be there is, but it needs to be more organized.

b) Proposed changes

- Geoff is interested in getting involved with the Financial Literacy program and Angie explained that Kristen Mullin-Connolly is heading it up and will be reaching out to get involvement from teachers at all levels.
- Joanne asked about the summer remediation program brought up previously. The program is starting to come together; the month of July is being looked at for this program so students still have a summer break.

4. New business?

- a) The budget will be brought up at the next meeting.

Next meeting: May 6 , 2021

Meeting ended at 5:00 pm

Attending:

Angie Pepin

Mary Carter

Faith Oji

Joanne Della Barba

Carla Lopez-Codio

Karen Boyle

Caroline Boyle

Geoff Peterson

Krista Cafourek