

School Site Council
Agenda
2-12-2020

1. Introductions- new member voted in
2. Review of Minutes from last meeting
3. Discussion of Fair School Funding
4. MCAS data and accountability review
5. School Improvement Plan
 - a. New template
 - b. Review of Mission written last year
 - c. Write Vision and work on specifics
6. Next Meeting topics continued

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Notes by R. Margaglione

Members Present: Sharon Perry, Ginger Coleman, Kim Lambourne, Beth Gaspar, Jessie Gary, Rachel Margaglione

Community Members on the Council, but with revolving schedules, we try to have one community member at each meeting from these three organizations.

Food Corps.

Mill City Grows

MACOM

Summary from last meeting:

S. Perry- Bikes will be given away 1 per month, teachers are giving one ticket a day to the student who has demonstrated "Challenge Accepted". Discussed parity on the school site council, purpose of the school site council and importance for fair school funding, talked about the hall of fame in the front lobby for students who are chosen as "student of the month" (one from each classroom).

Today's Meeting:

For Fair School Funding we will be looking at district data to help us make decisions about how to spend our money. It will be like building the school from the ground up. We'll formulate a plan looking at our students' levels. Staffing decisions, curriculum decisions, equipment decisions will all be made according to how much money we have.

Admin is working on school improvement plans now. Central office is hoping that the budgets will be finalized by April so that schools know ahead of time in order to be able to hire, purchase things based on our data.

We don't know how much money we are getting. No school will be at a deficit. Many things are part on the table: re-allocation of staff, re-allocation of programs, etc. Schools that are performing and doing well will have a lot of autonomy, schools that are doing ok will have some autonomy, schools not doing well (chronically underperforming, now called Renaissance Schools) will have less autonomy.

Mrs. Coleman wants us to be mindful when we make decisions so that they are sustainable and make the biggest impact for the students. If we pick something, we want to stay the course on it to be able to determine impact. This council will get into the data to make these mindful decisions. The data will be anonymous. We will look for trends.

We went over the school improvement plan.
Added to the School Vision and Core Values/Commitments
Looked Over the School Strategic Objectives and Initiatives

We looked at our school data on the DESE website to see our status.
Made a lot of growth last year and we want to maintain that on MCAS.

For the next meeting:

What do we think our needs are?

Needs for the school

Needs for the students

What needs do we have for the students that we could do a better job with?

Received paper copies of the school improvement plan and will continue working on the next sections, including Reflection on our Current Practices; then creating a plan for the future.