

Tates Creek Middle School

SBDM Council Meeting

Tuesday, July 31, 2018

IN ATTENDANCE: Eric Thornsbury, Kelly Sirginnis, Mary Elizabeth McKnight, Greg Leopold, Brittany Manion, Tricia Calico, Ann Claire Riegle, Jenna Jennings

ABSENT: Mallory Evans, Erika Hranicky, Thalethia Routt, Julia Jaeger-Cross

RECORDER: Tricia Calico

Tonight's meeting was called to order at 4:38.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Ms. Jennings made a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Manion seconded the motion.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

The May 21 minutes require two corrections: the date on the minutes needs to be changed from April 23 to May 21, and under committee report, Department Chairs needs to be changed to Subject Area Leads. Ms. Riegle made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Mr. Leopold seconded the motion.

GOOD NEWS REPORT:

The Council welcomed new member Ms. McKnight to SBDM. Ms. Manion has family visits scheduled; families were very receptive to meeting and starting to build a positive relationship. Ms. Lindsay has been doing family visits with incoming sixth graders over the summer. Ms. Calico and Ms. Jennings hosted a successful open library. We have new staff members, and they will be bringing new things to the table. We are almost fully staffed with only one para-educator position left to fill, and we have brought in a good group of people. Ten staff members were sent to IB workshops and trainings. They in turn are leading trainings with our staff and working on units.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLANNING:

Those returning from IB trainings have a new level of excitement. Work on units is going well, and staff members are engaged and sharing new ideas. #SeeMeBelB is becoming a reality. We are focusing on students first, and all of this falls in line with our school improvement plan.

BUDGET REPORT:

Section 6: This is a starting point. There has only been one purchase so far. Contingency is loaded up, and that money can be reallocated as needs arise. The \$10,000 allocated to 735 – Tech Software was mistakenly put under Library – 1001059 and needs to be moved to TC Middle Principals Office - 1001077. There will be a lot of movement in these accounts in the next month.

BUDGET REPORT CONT'D:

Activity Accounts: There have been some changes. Most accounts are all down to \$1,000 with a few exceptions: Drama, Shed, PBIS, Community Service, and Yearbook. Under Group Totals, Science and Energy Award were not reduced to \$1,000, but the science department has been told the money must be spent. One suggestion was to use the Energy Award money to improve our recycling efforts, possibly in the cafeteria. The Starz have an extra penny, and the 8th grade trip money rolls over to provide a buffer. Question about 274 APPS—what is it? Titans Caring for Titans was also held over to feed families. 205 - General Music / Chorus account is gone; some of that money was moved to 202 - Music to bring it up to \$1,000, and the rest was moved to 701 - General, which will be spent on student and teacher needs. Athletics: All individual sports team money will go into the Athletics General account for the purchase of new uniforms with the exception of Archery (school does not provide uniforms) and Dance Team (no coach). The remainder of the money, plus the profit from the Golf Scramble, will be divided back among the teams' accounts. Every team is getting new uniforms. We still need a quote for cheer uniforms. Right now we are ahead financially with the uniform purchase, but looking back through records to check for errors. 620 – Football does not appear on this budget report. The district helped out with the purchase of some uniforms.

OTHER COMMITTEE REPORTS:

No reports.

POLICY REPORT:

School Space Use Policy

The second reading of this policy will be moved to the next meeting, since the item was not on the agenda.

STAFFING UPDATE:

In March, council approved a staffing proposal with the elimination of the Spanish program. This proposal had four district-allocated magnet teachers. Mr. Thornsbury was able to get one more position for a total of five magnet teachers. Two people were hired at 0.7 to save money. That allowed us to create a new schedule and add one full time position. That new full-time position allows us to bring Spanish back and purchase a new computer program; the class will be held in a computer lab. PE numbers are low. Mr. Thornsbury is proposing to reduce PE positions from 3 to 2.5. This will allow us to bring in a .5 teacher for the SAFE room. Although we are not yet sure what the schedule will look like, other certified teachers will rotate in to SAFE for the other half of the day. In summary, the updated staffing proposal includes the addition of a Spanish teacher, the reduction of PE from 3 to 2.5, and the addition of a .5 SAFE teacher. Ms. Riegler made a motion to approve the modified staffing proposal. Ms. Manion seconded the motion.

ADJOURN:

Ms. Sirginnis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Riegler seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 5:31.