Members Present: Ronda Runyon   Crystal Dixon   Whitney Dixon   Anne Thomasson

Andy Williams   Scott Cahill   Allie O'Donnell   Melanie Gabbard

Jane Brannon   Kim Thompson

Guests: Lisa Owens

Morton Middle School Mission Statement

The faculty, staff, students and community of Morton Middle School are committed to academic excellence and the cultivation of individual strengths and talents in a safe, supportive environment where individual differences are respect for the rights of others guide school and community behavior.

1.   REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM 12-9-2019 MEETING
       Melanie Gabbard move to approve the minutes. Crystal seconded. The motion passed.

2.   ADDITIONS TO CURRENT AGENDA
       There were no additions

3.   PUBLIC COMMENT
       There was no public comment

4.   CSIP
       At the moment there is nothing new to add to the CSIP report of goals and objectives. Basically, in every area, depending on the stated goal, we will either increase or decrease by 5% over the next three years. Everything for the report has been submitted to KDE, and to Central Office. If there are any changes which need to be made, those will be brought to the SBDM Council.

5.   Online Field Testing
       This year the state requires middle schools complete online field testing. The testing window for Fayette County is the last week in February. There will be testing in math and reading for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade. These tests will last 60 minutes. The 8th grade will also have on demand writing which will last 90 minutes, as well as editing and mechanics, which will last 60 minutes. Each student will be assigned one test at random by Pearson Testing. In addition, all students will complete a quality school climate, and school safety survey. The surveys will count in accountability for this year. Although it has yet to be confirmed, the testing will take place either, February 25th or 26th. Because these tests are part of accountability, make-up testing is required.

6.   PBIS
       During the first week back from Winter Break, PBIS expectations, and emergency drills were reviewed. On Monday, January 6th, all Morton students received a free small KONA Ice, paid for by the PTSA. Friday, January 10th, all students, except those who received a SAFE referral the first

week back from Winter Break, attended the PBIS reward of Mustang Madness. Morton is proud of the 98% of students who have had either zero, or only one SAFE referral. At the next PBIS committee meeting, in January, items to be discussed will be dress code, early morning detentions, and student badges. Council members asked that the PBIS committee look at consistency with the dress code among all Morton staff.

7.   SCIF YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET REPORT

The budget was distributed. One question asked was if funds need to be spent during the current year, or are the funds carried over to the next year. A limited amount of funds can carry over to the next year, but it is encouraged to spend the funds during the academic year.

8.   SBDM POLICIES UPDATE

A) Instructional and Non-Instructional Staff Time Assignment Policy – 2nd Reading

B) Instructional Practices Policy – 2nd Reading

C) Program Appraisal Policy – 2nd Reading

There were a few editions to the above policies, mostly regarding the elimination of language about program reviews. With the edition made, Melanie Gabbard moved to approve the above policies as amended. Kim Thompson seconded. The motion passed.

D) School Day and Week Schedule Policy– 1st Reading

E) School Space Use Policy – 1st Reading

F) Student Assignment Policy – 1st Reading

9.   OTHER

A council member asked for an update on the vestibule remodel. The understanding at this point is that work will begin in April, and will be completed within a week.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen L. Barjuca