

SCC Meeting Notes
February 6, 2018

Members Present: Paisley Streuper, Rebecca Richards, Rachel Kennedy, Diane Sipos, Heidi Brown, Mindy Widdowson, Jannelle Wride, Natalie Hill, Ilene Strong, Christina Ahlstrom, Jenny Timmerman, Lisa Taylor, Juli Andes, Lyndsay Detro

Members Excused: Dee Lawler

Visitors: Lewis Young, Ron Clark Academy attendees (April Leder, Rebecka Nielsen, Katie Newbry, Sherri Christensen, Lolly Hatch

Meeting called to order at 3:49

1. Natalie motioned to approve the minutes. Jenny seconded. All approved.
2. Ron Clark Academy Report
 - a. April- Stand on chair to talk, students need to listen and make hand signals to talk.
 - b. Sherri-Hand motions for story elements, great refresher
 - c. Lolly-culture-stand to talk, good job! Thumbs up
 - d. Juli-See ideas in practice that other team had brought back last year, music and movement, focus and respect
 - e. Katie-Bring learning to life, Jurassic Park
 - f. Rebecka-leave personal stuff at home, make school your safe place
 - g. Rebecca-Attitude is everything, excitement and learning, loving and caring for each other
- Mindy wondered is this energy sustainable?, Is there a measurable difference in the classrooms of teachers that have been? Superintendent Jarmin also questioning if this is the best use of funds? Are there other places that we could also learn from
- Rebecca says that we could follow practices but still keep our individuality, everyone brings something different away.
- Juli says that you might not see an immediate measureable difference. It will build each year. Teachers would need to work towards it and add things to their teaching.
- Mindy and Katie said that as more teachers have experience it will build and refresh others that go.
- Rachel mentioned that it has spread from another team member although she hasn't been yet.

- April mentioned that Ron Clark's goal is to change education. The importance of having a shared experience. Members of a team able to help support each other rather than one person trying to do it alone.
- Sherri has noticed an increase in enthusiasm among her students.
- Mindy clarifies that we are not looking for a change in test scores but a change in behavior that will translate to academics over time.
- Rebecca -if we can boost engagement, we can boost test scores.
- Natalie has noticed a difference in her daughter's motivation to do Lexia as a result of what is going on in Sherri's classroom
- Heidi Brown also noticed this with her children.
- Jenny Timmerman feels that these are valuable tools that we can add to our bags.
- Lisa Taylor wondered if people were writing down goals to incorporate into teaching. Written accountability?
- Ilene mentioned that we are doing things in Houses. Ilene noticed changes over the summer once teachers had a chance to process and plan.
- Juli said it was more of an internal thing/philosophy
- Ideas can be shared and talked about at collaboration.

3. Anti-bullying Awareness Committee

- a. 4 moms, Admin and Mindy
- b. Parent accountability is important. Change needs to happen at home.
- c. Correct information needs to be shared.
- d. As a community we need to clearly define what bullying is vs normal conflict
- e. Daily classroom discussion items that are also sent home to parents
- f. Incidents are dealt with on an individual basis. Some are handled with the teacher. School rule infractions are sent to the administration. Parents are involved with situations involving physical actions
- g. Aides have been assigned to zones to help with problems that are occurring at recess. If a child reports a problem, they need to go with the aide to try to sort the situation
- h. March 6 @ 9:30 next anti-bullying meeting

- i. Aides are assigned to keep students safe. Teachers and administration are responsible for consequences.

4. New School Boundaries

- a. Changes have been made. People are starting to adjust. New principal has been named. Mrs. Akagi was invited to assembly and has met some students and parents as well as the teachers that are here.
- b. When will teachers know placement for next year?
- c. When will this be public knowledge?
- d. Naming committee for the new school and new PTA and new SCC. It is an exciting and fun time that will allow the community to put their stamp on the new school.

5. Principal's Report

- a. Money—we will need to make some balance adjustments at the next meeting
 - i. 10 Ipads for Kindergarten
 - ii. Licenses need to be moved from hardware to software?
 - iii. Substitute and aide expenses continue to add up
 - iv. 3rd grade is going to need some new Chrome books.
 - v. Have about \$2200 left to spend.
- b. Greatest needs by grade level
 - i. Literacy (1, 2, 4)
 - ii. Math (6)
 - iii. Looked at Stake Holders report for Data
 - iv. Natalie suggests that we do both math and literacy goals. Perhaps younger grades focus on Literacy and upper grades focus on Math
 - v. Ilene mentioned that at trainings it has been suggested that schools not try to do too much.
 - vi. Diane wonders if classroom size has affected scores. Ilene explained that there is a formula that everyone follows so class sizes should be fairly constant. Exceptions would be Title I schools where there are more teachers and aides.
 - vii. District goal is that 90% of third graders are on level. Right now we are around 50-60%? DIBELS scores from last year 85%.
 - viii. Lindsay wondered if homework or lack thereof could be affecting scores. Lewis and Rachel both mentioned that

homework is not a determining factor until junior high.
Nightly reading is not part of that equation.

- c. Do we want to come up with a statement today so we can move forward in the following meetings
 - i. Natalie has proposed that we made a literacy goal for K-4 and a math goal for 5,6
- d. We need a quorum at our next meeting to vote on money stuff.
6. Good News Report
 - a. White Ribbon Week was a successful collaboration between PTA and teachers. Great assembly! Parents appreciated daily info. Line of communications were opened.
 - b. School Nurse Cinda Martin passed away. Kids were involved in decorating her door.
7. Mindy mentioned how great it is that our school community is so involved. We do not have issues that some other schools have.
8. Meeting adjourned at 5:00.
9. Next meeting is March 6 at 3:45.
10. Collaboration visits March 12 @ 2:45.