

SEC meeting 10/21/19

Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:45pm

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from September 23, 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved.

School Culture and Climate

Mr. Abdelmawla

Year to date 96 referrals, more than half are repeats. Last year at this time there were 80. There were students suspended on 25 days so far this, last year there were only 12. They are working on providing teachers with resources and different strategies to use to help keep kids in the classroom and successful.

Attendance is at 95.3%.

A parent asked if the culture and environment in the school has improved because of the additional discipline. Mr. A said a little bit of both. It was a difficult transition for the freshman class, there are higher expectations for high school students versus middle school students. There is a freshman assembly coming up to discuss the higher expectation.

Academic Achievement/School Parent Compact

Ms. Cohen discussed the 2019-2020 School/Parent Compact. It's going to be reintroduced this year and is part of our school improvement plan. The Compact describes the expectations parents have of the school and the expectations the school has of the parents. In the past it was sent home, signed and returned to the school. Currently it will be part of the school improvement plan and added to the website. Ms. Cohen asked for parents to comment on the Compact and offer any suggestions. One parent asked to have information added about subscribing to the newsletter and website as well as having specific language added about what types of communication apps teachers and the school use.

Peter Anderson asked if there was even any discussion about have teachers use a uniform way of communicating with parents. For example, all teachers using google class room or remind. Ms. Cohen suggested having teacher's send emails through infinite campus. A suggestion was made to have the staff roster updated with links to each teacher's syllabus.

Effective and Efficient Operations

Ms. Crosby reported in the absence of Mr. Knopp. The elementary students are working on kindness and anti-bullying. They are singing an anti-bullying pledge and watching a variety of videos. Olive the dinosaur visited the students last week. This week the students are going to the museum on a field trip. October attendance in the lower campus was 94.89%.

High school. The homecoming week and dance was very successful. The PSAT was administered last week to the 10th and 11th graders. This week the students went on various trips to the MKE film festival.

Picture retake day for high school is tomorrow. Ms. Crosby talked about the school production of Orphie and the Book of Heroes. The students did a great job.

Middle School. Cafeteria update. Ms. Aleem met with the student council. She agreed that the students can have open seating if the area stays clean and the noise level stays under a 6. Open seating will start after parent teacher conferences. The middle school students will not get their tardy slips from the 4th floor instead of coming down to the 1st floor. This week 6th and 7th graders are going to the film festival. Next week 8th graders are going. On November 8th there will be the country western dance to help raise money for the playground redevelopment project. 3rd through 12th grade families invited to attend.

Student/Family/Community Engagement

Parent/teacher conferences are this week. Mr. A gave an update on school sports at the high school level. Boys and girls basketball starts in the winter. The boys teams will practice off site at the boys and girls club. 8 different basketball teams need to share the Golda gyms.

Next Meeting is on November 25, 2019