

Bennett Russell Elementary

School Advisory Council

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February 20, 2020 @ 7:30 am IMPACT Room

Meeting Minutes

Welcome

- Meeting was called to order at 7:28am

Review and approval of the November 14, 2019 meeting minutes

- Approved by Debbie Stanhagen
 - Second motion made by Sam Callahan

Presentation by Daniel Hahn, SRC Safety Director, VOLO Safety APP

- The safety app. Is currently available to all staff / faculty and is currently optional.
 - Local law enforcement as well as district level incident management team will also receive notice of emergency when the lockdown button within the app is activated.
- Options: Lockdown and Staff Assist
 - Staff assist will notify administration as well as employees within the school.
 - Staff assist will provide location within the geofence so that administration can provide assistance as soon as possible.
- Does not track outside the geofence at work.
 - A person using will always be able to see him / herself on the map, however the district will only be able to track you when you are within the geofence at the work site.
- This app offers ability to pinpoint problems within the school to get help faster.
- This app adds an element to speed up response and does not change safety procedures that are currently in place.
- Law enforcement is alerted as soon as lockdown / emergency is swiped on the app. and will begin response immediately unless otherwise notified that there is no longer an emergency.
- There will be a staff meeting for a presentation on the Volo app on 3/11 at 7:20am.

SAC
APPROVED
June 19, 2020
S. Woodson

Update of School Improvement Strategies/Goals

- A second round of 360 Meetings were held recently for each grade level. These meetings are funded by Title I money.
 - 360 meetings have proven to be productive meetings for teachers to meet as a grade level and review data.
 - During the meetings professional development has been provided by the reading and math coach (for example, a refresher regarding the 90-minute reading block).
 - These meetings provide teachers with the opportunity to learn about new renaissance reports with each meeting therefore learning something new about class / grade level data and how to direct instruction effectively.
- Making meaning continues to be implemented at various levels to varying degrees across multiple grade levels.
 - IDR libraries have been purchased for 5th grade with multiple teachers implementing the entire program this school year.
 - IDR libraries have been purchased for all 4th grade teachers with one implementing. Next year multiple teachers will implement.
 - District cautioned about beginning too fast, which is why the program is being rolled out slowly with a trickledown effect throughout the school.

- Next year third grade will receive IDR libraries and work with Stephanie Alexander on conferencing with students effectively.
- Teachers who are implementing are seeing gains with their students.
- Strategies not addressed yet this year:
 - Sight word challenge in kindergarten
 - Third grade fact fluency challenge
 - These programs will be looked at again next school year and ways to implement them effectively from the start of the school year will be discussed.

Winter 2020 STAR Assessment data

- Kindergarten takes only the Star Early Literacy. Students displayed a level of 76% proficiency during the winter testing window.
- Growth levels between 35 – 60% is what you want to see from one test to the next.
- Bennett Russell ranked 3rd among growth in the district after the winter testing window.

Update for the Florida State Assessment

- Standard update and timeline for implementation B.E.S.T. Standards has been published.
- It is the most aggressive timeline of implementation to date.
- Our district has stated that they want us to focus on delivering quality instruction for the remainder of the school year, not focus on the new timeline just yet.

Title I Information

- S.T.E.A.M. night was a great success that was funded by Title I money.
 - 350 people attended S.T.E.A.M. night.
 - A number of new learning games were purchased as part of S.T.E.A.M. night and will continue to be utilized throughout the school for years to come.
 - Teachers who volunteered during S.T.E.A.M. night received vouchers for academic games which in turn helps them to meet one of the new evaluation standards.
 - Feedback from parents was positive about S.T.E.A.M. night with the only negative feedback being there were so many activities to choose from and just not enough time.
- The Making Meaning literacy program that is currently in fourth and fifth grades is also funded by Title I.
- Title I funds are being used to purchase child friendly media center furniture. Furniture will be purchased by the end of February. If all goes as planned, the furniture will be in use before the end of the school year.

Recognitions

- Teacher of the year Shana Carlson will be celebrated 2/28
- School related employee of the year – Jamie Berry will be celebrated in April
- Shannon Joseph will be our new bookkeeper beginning 3/2 replacing Debbie Stanhagan.
- Over the past month a new PE coach, preschool teacher, and fourth grade teacher have been hired.

Other needs, questions, ideas

- Meeting agenda and approved meeting notes are available on the school website after approval.
- More teachers are using alternative assessment certifications in order to become teachers.
 - UWF is only graduating small amounts of educators which is concerning for our field and our students.
- SAC members will look at the parent compact prior to next meeting regarding the next school year.
 - Meaningful Parent discussion and input is important for the parent compact.
- Parent letter was sent home regarding child trafficking and substance abuse
 - This program is similar to DARE and safer smarter kids which is currently in place
 - This program consists of two, 30-minute lessons. Scripted with video and scripted discussion.

- No counseling will take place upon child disclosure between the teacher and child, children will be directed towards guidance.
- Florida is third in the nation for child trafficking.
- Next meeting May 7th at 7:20am

Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 8:19am
 - Motion approved by Sam Callahan.
 - Second motion made by Sandy Arrant.