Northridge Elementary School

08.12.2022
Time: 7:30 AM
Location: Online/Library

MINUTES

SAC Committee

Tamara Emge, Chair (Parent Representative)
Wayne Marrs, Vice Chair (Parent Representative)
Virginia Wallace, Recorder (Parent Representative)
—--, Parent Representative
Holly Garin, DBC (Discovery Booster Club), Parent Representative
—-------, Parent Representative
Dita Merritt, PTA Representative
Virginia Wallace, DAC Liaison
(Vacant), Community Member
Cathy Frey, Teacher Representative
Katie Lynch, Principal
Erin Lehnert – Assistant Principal

Meeting Logistics

Call to Order: 7:35 AM
Quorum: "All committee members were present quorum was met" (Include members attendance by name)
Numbers of Attendees: # 5 Zoom 11 In-Person (these are ppl attending who are not committee members- approximate # if the group is large)

Motion to approve the (May) Minutes by (name):– Made, seconded, passed- Minutes Approved

Standing Reports:

Chair Reports

Chairperson Report:

SAC Handbook Information Session:

- Outline of SAC Committee responsibilities
- Outline of SAC policies and best practices
- Describes all the different roles within SAC
- Explains the SAC committee officers roles and how they differ from member roles
- Official templates
- We can reach out to the community if Katie's needs to gauge interest/opinions
- We can help increase parent community participation and engagement
- We can help increase community partnerships
- Also be a sounding board to the principal
- Advise the principal on the school's Unified Improvement Plan (UIP)
- Slide to clarify Roles vs members and who can vote at meeting

● Clarification on the Sunshine law and what that means for the SAC meeting
● Page 28 in Handbook will outline what specific duties you have within your SAC role
● We will have our name tags decorated from our NRE students for our next meeting

Calendar:

- August:
    - August 30th – Cold Stone Night
    - August 31st – FUN RUN!

Staff Report - Cathy Frey

- Kindergarten: Using the balanced beginning start to get the students ready for coming to school. They have started their full days and are learning about their classrooms
- 1st Grade: Exploring the school and learning about their superhero powers
- 2nd Grade: They're learning about schools around the world for social studies and are working on creating positive student relationships.
- 3rd: They are also working on getting to know students, Civics have been started in social studies and they're learning about local government.
- 4th Grade: Getting to know all new students and getting settled into NRE. They are reviewing the basics of sentence and paragraphs. They are also learning more about Colorado and will begin to build their maps.
- 5th: They're getting to know everyone and getting excited for the year!
- 6th Grade: They're pretending they were left in a deserted desert and need to save themselves.
- SSN: They're getting settled into the new year and establishing safety and security.
- Ms Hilton – Meeting with all new students at NRE and making sure they're getting their welcome bag.
- Library Mary peck has prizes for people that participated in the summer reading program.
    - She's also trying to revamp the Box Top program
    - Don't miss the Watch Dog dad meetings!

DAC Report – Katie Lynch

- MBOC and MBEC updates have been posted from the Superintendent
- From Erin's email
    - Please read through to get an idea of the financial implications if we can pass the Bond mill levy
        - Eg. If your house is half a million dollars, it would be $ 20 more
    - Once the board approves it and moves it forward Katie is no longer allowed to discuss

        - Matt Reynolds will be out at our next meeting to give further information about the bond mill levy

PTA Report – Dita Merritt

- We are super excited about our 40th year this year
- Please make sure to pay your dues if you want to join!
- First meeting is August 16th at 2pm in the library
- Please make sure to check out our new website
- Budget has been approved for this year, a check will be given to Katie for Online resources, classroom supplies etc.
- Get excited for the Fun run which is our biggest fundraiser of the year! (this year we are doing it in-house!)
- Don't forget Cold Stone night!

Community Report

- N/A

DBC Report – Holly Garin

- Not too much to report, but we are finalizing the budget
    - We purchased three promethean boards and are confirming they've arrived
    - Sometimes the discovery teachers use curriculum that the district doesn't pay for, so they are fundraising to help cover that

Principal Report – Katie Lynch

- We need to give feedback on the DAC Calendar(link will be included on the powerpoint presentation)
    - We need to have 173 Student Contact Days
    - We also have 185 Techer Contract Days
- Please put in comments/email Katie on which start date you would prefer her to send for our SAC vote
    - Keep in mind that if you choose a later school year start date then the students would be getting out later for the summer
    - We will also be able to vote on the Spring and Fall breaks(options are included in link provided in chat/paperwork passed out at in-person)
    - Vote was made by all attendee's and not just SAC voting members
    - Motion was made to include feedback to not have a full first week and to possibly start on Wednesday
    - Feedback will need to be gathered by September so we can get it to the board by October

- **CMAS and I-Ready tests** – Erin Lehnert
    - We aren't able to release the test results just yet, but we will have them ready for a future meeting (released to public in late August)

- Slide to show the correlation between CMAS and i-Ready
    - CMAS starts at third grade
    - I-Ready starts at kindergarten to help them get ready to take online tests
    - CMAS – Fixed form test
    - I-Ready – Adaptive Form test
- I-Ready Data (Last year)
    - From beginning of the year
        - We have 13% of the students was at risk
        - 34% of students that were at grade level
        - 53% of students were at or above grade level
        - There hasn't been too much overflow effects from our COVID year
    - From End of the year
        - We moved from 13% to only 5% for at risk!!
        - We moved from 34% to 12% for students at grade level
        - We moved from 53% to 83% to at or above grade level!!
        - This has been a huge growth due to our heavy focus on learning at the school

- **Teaching and Learning Conditions Colorado (TLCC)**
    - Teacher and learning conditions in Colorado
    - Every school must give it and have 50% or higher
    - Areas that it covers
        - New Staff questions
        - School leadership
        - Staff leadership
        - Managing student conduct
    - Currently we have a 90% favorability (Link is in title for further information for Northridge Elementary Data)
- **Unified Improvement Plan (UIP)**
    - Normally happens in April but will happen in October this year
    - We will be looking at CMAS and i-Ready and TLCC and come up with goals for what the school will be focusing on.
    - Gathering people who are interested in joining the Sub-Committee for the UIP SAC.
        - Meeting will be 2 hours long
        - Motion to create a Sub-Committee – Seconded

- Link with further information presented and sent through chat
- We want to have the sub-committee meeting prior to the next SAC meeting
- Email Tamara with your interest to be on the sub committee

New Business – None

Open Forum (Include all comments/responses made from guests)

Adjournment
Motion to adjourn at 9:12 AM: – Carried