

WJW School Governance Team Meeting- 10/2418

-Attendance:

Jim Horne - principal
Kristen Harrison - assistant principal
Charlotte Strange - business partner
Hannah Wilder - teacher representative
Joy Carnes - teacher representative
Rob Craft - community partner
Lisa Perry - parent representative

Call to order by Mrs. Harrison. Mr. Horne opened the meeting with the invocation. Minutes were read for review from last team meeting by Mrs. Wilder. Mr. Horne asked for additions or corrections to the minutes. With no additions or corrections, the minutes will be filed as read. It was noted that Mrs. Wilder will email out the minutes prior to the next meeting.

Information from the principal:

-Personnel- one open position for a special education teacher in 7th grade remains, as well as one paraprofessional position for 6th grade. A candidate is pending for the paraprofessional position. It was noted that within the next few weeks, there will be four long term subs in our school due to various situations.

-Financial- Financial situation is in good standing. New pine straw was put down in order to increase the visual appeal of our campus. It was noted that the REACH program will be held on our campus tomorrow (Oct. 25th). Ice cream is now being sold at lunch, and money raised from ice cream sales will be split between the general fund and clubs here on our campus. The general fund is being used for teacher needs that arise.

-Curriculum and instruction- CCRPI scores will be released soon. The previous year score was 58.7, so there is hope that our current score will be much improved. The literacy and math academic coaches have been working extremely hard to support the teachers on our campus with instruction and data collection and analysis in order to better serve all students. Curriculum night will be held here at WJW tomorrow night (Oct. 25) at 6:00. Mass parent conferences will be attempted for the first time at WJW on Nov. 1 from 3:45-5:00. Teachers will be in their classrooms and parents in attendance will move to each class on their students' schedule.

-Achievement of School Improvement Plan: Mrs. Harrison discussed the preparation for Advanced Ed coming. The School Improvement Plan was shared with the team. Mr. Southwell and Mrs. Harrison condensed the plan into a one page document for the team. The goals are to improve tier one instruction and to improve school climate. Great strides have been made in order to increase student engagement and the rigor of instruction. The hope is that these increases will move 5% of our level 1 learners, according to Milestones data, to level 2 learners. The goal is to eliminate level 1 learners. It was noted that level 1 learners are typically students with disabilities, ELL students, and students who have very low lexile levels. Mrs. Harrison discussed that the correlation between lexile data and Milestones scores are directly related. To improve school climate, the plan outlines utilizing the Remind 101 system to keep parents

updated on things happening on our campus and implementing professional development opportunities on campus for our teachers, among other items.

-School Operations: Mr. Horne discussed that at the next meeting, school safety will be addressed at every meeting. At some point in the near future, GEMA will come in and observe and review safety procedures with the administration. Mr. Harden, assistant principal, is working with local law enforcement in order to ensure safety on our campus. There have been no major issues regarding safety on our campus this year. It was noted that staff are doing everything possible to keep students safe.

Items from the governance team:

Mrs. Strange stated that she was glad that the school was able to sell ice cream. It was noted by Mr. Horne that all ice cream must be ordered through Mayfield, which is the milk vendor, so options are limited. With that being noted, the ice cream sales have been a success. Mrs. Strange questioned why students are moved forward from grade level to grade level when they cannot read. Mr. Horne discussed the different reasons that students are not reading on grade level. He repeated the desire to work with the elementary schools to discuss what level 6th graders should be on and what the expectations are for middle school. The impact of the transition from elementary school to middle school is huge. It has been discussed at the board level and an agenda has been created for vertical planning to help address this issue, among others.

Mrs. Strange questioned rumors heard among students on campus about vaping and vapes at school. Mr. Horne explained that he feels that it is our job to educate students to make them aware of the dangers of the use of vapes. Mrs. Perry expressed the concern that these items are being marketed to children with fruit flavors. Mr. Horne stated that vapes are not outlined in the county hand book, and that these incidents are being handled as tobacco. The importance of education and vigilance was noted again.

Mr. Horne asked for any additional items from the team. Hearing no items from the team, the meeting was adjourned.