SGC Meeting

September 9, 2019

Start Time: 3:20p.m. End Time: 4:28p.m.

Attendees: Dr. Planas, C. Starn, M. Borjas, S. Rostowski, S. Vilanova, L. Trudell

Welcome Back: New Staff (Ms. Perry – 1st grade, Ms. Woessner – 3rd grade, Mr. Riley – new Dr. Werneck – full time Portuguese teacher).

 SEL and School Climate: After the Fall (Humpty Dumpty)

Mindfulness: school wide participation – different activities – parent activities

Finding out “why your feeling the way your feeling”.

Summer work: painted stairs, waxed floors, completed expansion of TLC Room. Request made for bathroom stalls to be painted. Emergency ramp – will be worked on.

New Business:

Mrs. Heilweil & Peter Martinez – outgoing members

Sacred Heart University Partnership – tutors

Working on Central Magnet student tutors: after school at Central Magnet School - free

Student Attendance: Parent and doctor notes – reiterate the importance of timeliness. Students need to be in school no later than 8:45. May talk about this in a PAC meeting – the importance of getting to school on time and being picked up on time.

Fire and Evacuation Drills – First fire and lockdown drills completed.

Mr. John M. has talked to teachers/students on all these procedures.

Improve Communication to/from school to parents: Class Dojo, Remind, Phone Blast, Facebook, Instagram. People that don’t understand English … a buddy system that they can talk to someone who can translate.

Student Assessment: iReady Fall diagnostic, COP(Concept of Print), Letter Sound and ID for lower grades. Testing begins 9/9-

Reading Marathon (October) – Debbie Williams will continue this year. Biggest fundraiser of the year.

PAC Elections – PAC meeting 9/10 – all board members need to be replaced this year.

Open House (11th) , 5 – 6 Elementary, 6-7 School Wide Meeting, 7-8 Middle School. Ice Cream Social (18th) – bring parents in and encourage to participate – all events are introduced and there will be sign-ups.

School Uniforms/Spirit Wear: There are always challenges. Solid blue and white. Looking at a different logo and company to buy the spirit wear.

Classroom Parent Support : Teachers to seek parent volunteers to support in activities throughout the year.

Technology Support: All parents should be using these programs at home to help there child.

IReady Math, (Math support) Moby Max (reading, writing, social studies), Lexia-(helping with reading, also has a instructional component)

New dismissal procedure – safety is first

Pickup – parents wait outside to get there child, 3 sections (K-2, 3-5, 6-8) this makes it much more organized – go thru one door and out the other (thanks to John M.) Parents must give permission for people to pick up child – only on emergency forms or they cannot be picked up. Middle School – only can be walkers.

Parents who call to change dismissal during the school day cannot make changes after 12p.m. Only extreme cases will be allowed

Green Village Initiative – Food Corp. We have a member at our school, Charlene Rodriguez. She will be going into the classrooms and teach students about healthy food choices. She also will be in the cafeteria to continue to educate students about the school garden vegetables. (students will be able to taste the different vegetables) Mrs.Starn is looking for student helpers for the garden. This year will include 5th grade and up…need adult supervision.

Important Dates

9/9 iReady testing

9/11-Open house – 5-6p.m. – elementary grades; 6-7 – parent wide meeting; 7-8pm-middle school grades

9/18 – Ice Cream Social, 5:30-7pm

9/13 emergency forms due, dress down day - $1, Garden Club 4 – 5:30p.m.

9/20 – Dress Down Day - $1

9/25 – Fairchild Wheeler Interdistrict in-house presentation – 1:15 in cafeteria

9/27 – Progress Report Grades Due in Power School; Hispanic Living Museum 9:15-11:30 (Cafeteria); Garden Club 4-5:30p.m,

9/28 – Debate Team – Yale Invitational

9/30 – No School-Rosh Hashanah

Next Meeting: October 7th @ 3:15 in room 104

9/26 9 – 2 Hartford Coliseum –PTO Expo…many many ideas for fundraisers

Next meeting 10/7 @ Rm 104