Call to order

A meeting of the GO Team for Sutton Middle School was held at the Northside Campus on October 22, 2018, 5:30-7:00 pm

Attendees

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Krystye Tatum	Kevin Wade	Kelly Conner	Amanda Fielder
Josh Sturtevant	Hannah Morris	Katherine McClure	Brian Hankin
Gail Johnson, Principal			

Members not in attendance

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Loren Eckart		

Is there are quorum present? Circle or highlight Yes or No

a.Call to Approve Agenda

All in favor and none opposed. Agenda approved.

b. Approval of Previous Minutes

Tabled until next meeting as previous minutes are missing due to technical difficulties.

c. Election of Officers

 i. Chair: Brian Hankin resigned as Chair due to extensive obligations outside of GO Team. Amanda Fielder nominated and accepted as new Chair. All in favor, none opposed.
ii. Vice Chair: Amanda Fielder resigned as Vice Chair. Josh Sturtevant nominated and accepted as new Vice Chair. All in favor, none opposed.

iii. Cluster Representative: Not yet nominated

d. Strategic Plan Review

Looking at plan (School Priorities, Strategies and Key Performance Measures) to see if revisions are needed. Looking at numbers on APSInsights.org, specifically at subgroup

population. Gail suggested re-wording the growth measurement under Key Performance Measures category to divide growth percentages by subgroups. Each subgroup goal is to be 3% in each discipline rather than 15% overall.

Also discussed IB training and certification of teachers and administrators. Our IB trained staff rose from 14% to 45% certified this year. While this is an impressive rate of growth, we discussed the fact that we have a goal of 90% of teachers trained by next year. We discussed how to inspire teachers to get IB certified. Newer teachers commit to getting certified within 3 years when they sign a contract. Teachers that have been here longer did not have that requirement in their contract and are resistant to the 2 ½ day certification session that takes place over the summer. It was decided there is a need to immediately create momentum for IB certification, and the teachers on GO Team have agreed to start the campaign to get teachers signed up for IB MYP certification.

With Sutton being such a large school and with after-school meetings taking place most days, Gail wants to create early release days beginning next year once a month. She is proposing a 1:30 dismissal mid-week to give teachers 2 ½ hours of planning time once a month. Mid-week is important to Gail, as she does not see the teachers having productive planning time on Friday afternoons; Fridays had been suggested as a day that parents may be more willing to accept. A survey will be released to get community input.

e. Principal's Update

Both campuses will be closed all summer for renovations. It is undecided how Cougar Camp will proceed.

Gail is working with Northside Methodist to get a marquee at the front of the school. It would be a way to generate revenue, as ads would be placed here as well as other information.

Broadcast studio funds approved by PTA.

Reminder of Hispanic Heritage Month

Many parents, 6th grade parents in particular, are frustrated by the inability of their children to be placed in accelerated math without the elementary scores to allow it. This summer APS will offer a pilot program for students to participate in a 4 week program to get ahead in math and, therefore, be placed in advanced math. This will allow students to go into accelerated math in 7th grade and Algebra 1 in 8th. Location of 4 week class is undecided, but will not be at Sutton.

Congratulations Dan Lloyd! Our Sutton Teacher of the Year was awarded the APS Middle School Teacher of the Year! He goes on to compete for Teacher of the Year.

Meeting Called to be Adjourned

All in favor and none opposed. Meeting adjourned at 7:04 pm.

Katherine Mcclure, Secretary Date Approved: