

GO Team Meeting 3/28/17

Call to order at 4:07 p.m. by Mr. Ortega

Training by Travis Norville

- Passed out template of strategic plan (fill in the blanks)
- Packet of the T.A.G. Strategic Planning Work Session
 - *First page school framework plan (base on information from Mr. Woods)
 - Teacher input
 - Parent input
 - Parent Liaison input
 - *Connally and Venetian Hills
 - demographics
 - academics
 - culture
 - attendance & suspension

Due to split with Connally, Venetian Hills, and Hollis

Culture Survey hopefully will

- Boost environment
- SEL
 - *How: SEL
 - *Why: Build culture
 - *Priority

Attendance

- What is our strategic plan to raise numbers?
- Each grade level needs TLC especially Kindergarten

Suspension

- One to two students have had an impact on our 4th grade numbers
- Other grades have lower numbers. What are we doing?
- How are we addressing our numbers?

Priorities should stay the same **BUT** the strategies might change to bring scores to what's wanted and needed.

*T.A.G. is the melting pot of the Southwest Atlanta (about 7 different schools are in the building)

Dr. Thomas did research on 4th grade to find out why this group is the “problem child”

Washington Cluster

Cluster plan sample are in the packet to make sure that T.A.G.’s plan is more specific.

DINNER BREAK: 10 minutes

Mr. Ortega read the last meeting's notes

- Motion by Mr. Ortega
- Second the motion by Mr. Woods
- No abstraction
- All in favor (everyone agreed)
- Motion carried

Secretary Election: move to nominate LaDonia Coe Watson

- Motion by Mr. Ortega
- Second the motion by Dr. Thomas
- No abstraction
- All in favor (everyone agreed)
- Motion carried

Community Seat Election: Move to nominate Don Speaks

- Motion by Mr. Ortega
- Second the motion by Ms. Russell
- No abstraction
- All in favor (everyone agreed)
- Motion carried

Go team seats are now filled

APS email address needed for Don Speaks

Find best model for our turn around school!

Ms. Howe asked a question about Ms. White missing too many meetings to continue with the go team.

Mr. Ortega will contact Ms. High to see where Ms. White stands.

Mr. Woods (information items)

- Staffing contracts went out March 27, 2017 for contract employees (two waves)
- Instructional coach change for ELA
- Dr. Edwards will transition into the S.T.E.M. coordinator for 2017-2018 school year (science coach)
- Approved for 3 full time Paras and 2 more specialist (1 math and 1 reading)
- Small group classes in a Turn-around school is very important with the addition of Specialists and Paras
- Additional para will assist with 2nd and 3rd grade
- May have to look at other spaces in the building including computer labs, parent center, Mrs. Weems office.
- Mr. Lampkin will have to serve in other areas other than social studies

Student Support

- Ms. Gibbs will return for 2017-2018 school year

Social Worker

- Mr. Childers is retiring in May 2017
- Waiting to see about social worker pool from closing schools

CIS (a gift)

- Mrs. Vincent
- Mrs. Wilson resigned

Families First (a gift)

- Mrs. Bailey

Hands on Atlanta

Chris 180 (a gift)

- Mental health wrap around services

Spanish Teacher (vacancy) (McKenzie)

- Mr. Ortega has a recommendation for a Spanish teacher

SSTRTI

- Mrs. Rivers was be able to obtain contract

Mental Health

- Dr. Pitts-Clark

SENT

- Mr. Marcello

S.T.E.M. Labs

- Fighting to keep both labs (engineering and STEM)
- Delta, Flight Buddies, Lockheed Martin, and Morehouse

Ms. Howe asked, Mr. Woods

- Have you gotten to know your staff member?
- Mr. Woods replied, "He is talking to his people."

What does the leadership team consist of?

- grade level chairs
- other staffers in lead positions
- leadership team application and/or interview for 2017-2018 school year

Ms. Russell (4th Grade Teacher)

- Coaches needs to know what the teachers need before they need it when using the curriculum
- Called Ms. Reddick about the Phoenix curriculum
- Coaches need to stay in tune with the needs of teachers before needing certain things pertaining the curriculum

Budget

-\$43,000

-speak with the GO Team on how to spend it

Student Profiles

-STAR cards created for each class for 2017-2018 school year

-Start with IEP students

SST Process

-Special Ed student population is GROWING

*IIR Teachers

*IEP Teachers (7 classes)

719 Students as of March 2017

Student Population Forecast 2017-2018

-120 KK

-123 1st

-129 2nd

-114 3rd

-119 4th

-113 5th

-35 Teachers (projection)

-2 on 2 teams

*KK-3rd Grade

*4th-5th Grade

-Every 12 teachers = 1 male teacher

Want to increase the male presence 2017-2018 school year

-Donuts with Dad monthly

- Mr. Chambers is working with Morehouse concerning fathers

-Cub Scouts needs BIGGER presence on campus

School Activities April 2017

-In April have club activities instead of Wednesday tutorial (teacher and/or staff hobbies)

-Chess club

-Crocheting

- Baton Twirling

-Step Class

-It would change the dynamics with teacher and students (toward end of the school year)

Meeting adjourn at 6:24 p.m.

~ Mr. Ortega motioned to adjourn the meeting.

-Mr. Chambers 2nd that motion