

Meeting Minutes

Morningside Elementary School

Date: May 11, 2021

Time: 5:00

Location: Zoom Call for GO Team & Public Comment

Live Streamed for Community at <https://www.facebook.com/MorningsideElementary>

Roll Call

Role	Name (or Vacant)	Present or Absent
Principal	Audrey Sofianos	Present
Parent/Guardian	Randy Fink	Present
Parent/Guardian	Lisa Olmsted	Present
Parent/Guardian	Shannon Thibodeau	Present
Instructional Staff	Marva Nelson	Present
Instructional Staff	Lynn Slater	Present
Instructional Staff	Wendy Westwood	Present
Community Member	Max Weiss	Absent
Community Member	Barbara Crum	Present
Swing Seat	Yolanda Foreman	Absent
Student (High Schools)		

Action Items

- a. Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Shannon; Seconded by Marva

Members Approving: ALL

Members Opposing: NONE

Members Abstaining: NONE

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Motion: Passes

Approval of Previous Minutes:

Motion made by Randy; Seconded by Shannon

Members Approving: ALL

Members Opposing: NONE

Members Abstaining: NONE

Motion: Passes

Discussion Items

Discussion Item 1: 2021-2022 and Go Team Planning

Discussed starting a beginning of the year Go Team survey to help transition from one year to the next. The survey would have 3-5 questions with additional specialized questions when needed. Marva suggested writing up a summary of what was discussed throughout the year on the Go Team. This summary could be useful to new members joining the Go Team. Feedback from team: qualitative data might be more useful; Surveys are very hard to design in order to get useful information. People who answer surveys are not always representative of the larger group. Would like to utilize family engagement staff member to help with engagement through advisory committee and a survey, if done. Suggestion from Barbara to use grade-level town halls because people are more comfortable speaking out in smaller/familiar groups. Next year a Swing Seat will be available and any Go Team member can nominate someone for that seat.

Information Items:

- a. Principal's Report - Data Review

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Projected students was 951

Enrollment as of May 2021 is 799 students

Current enrollment is down 152 students

Audrey went over STAR scores for both Reading and Math. We do not have Spring 2020 STAR scores for comparison. Discussion of Summer Academic Recovery program and the focus on foundational skills. She also talked about what EIP will look like next year. There will be a 30 minute, all hands on deck, intervention period each day where all kids will work in small groups with a teacher. The 30 minutes will consist of Academic Recovery, Acceleration, or Enrichment and focus on ELA and Math (2 days each). The school can decide how to use the 5th day. Next year MES will have 5 intervention teachers. Screeners will be used to determine student placement during the intervention period. There is no pressure from APS to use that 30 minutes for anything other than intervention for ELA and Math. Construction update: due to rising costs of materials, there will be fewer classrooms in the remodel than originally planned for.

b. Family Engagement Advisory Committee:

Shannon talked about the two options for the future use of the Inman building: 4-5 campus or a new K-5 elementary school. Parents expressed wanting to have the decision made rather than having a long wait for the decision. Parents also are interested in knowing about which option was preferred by administrators and teachers and understanding what other 4th/ 5th academies look like elsewhere.

Announcements -

None

Adjournment Motion made by Marva; Seconded by Randy

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Members Approving: ALL

Members Opposing: NONE

Members Abstaining: NONE

Motion: Passed

ADJOURNED AT 6:07

Minutes Taken By: Lynn Slater

Position: Secretary

Date Approved: 9/14/21