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Meeting Minutes

SPRINGDALE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Date: 11/15/2022 Time: 6:30pm-7:30pm

Location: Zoom Video Conferencing Meeting (Zoom Link)

Meeting ID: 404 802 8701 Passcode: spark

- I. Call to Order 6:32pm
- II. Roll Call; Establish Quorum
 - A. Present Sarah Caughron, Karina Canup, Macey Howard, Rana Van Vooris, Marietta Engle, Michelle McDaniel, Jenny Reiner, Tony Kearney, Jennifer Toney [quorum established with 8/9 voting members present]
 - B. Absent Alicia Cardillo

III. Action Items

- A. Approval of Agenda [motion: Tony Kearney; second: Macey Howard; 8/8 approved]
- B. Approval of Previous Minutes [motion: Macey Howard; second: Rana Van Vooris; 8/8 approved]
- C. Strategic Plan Update (after discussion) [motion to approve plan with no updates: Macey Howard; second: Tony Kearney; 8/8 approved]
- D. Ranking Strategic Plan Priorities (REQUIRED after discussion): decided to table this to Wednesday, December 7th with the sole purpose of voting on the ranked priorities.

IV. Discussion Items

- A. Fall ACES Presentation
 - 1. 760 students (over-projection); two vacancies still (1st and 2nd), new ESOL students, student attendance is down and parents are reporting that they have not gotten robo calls about absences
 - 2. MAP results Winter MAP was taken 11/10 and 11/14; preliminary data looks good
 - 3. Curriculum 2023-2024 the District will adopt a new math curriculum, schools are being asked for input and SPARK would like to recommend Eureka; in ELA, teachers are adapting units and writing their own to tailor instruction to the needs of their students; recent Lucy Calkins controversy in the media brought up questions about the efficacy of the curriculum, but at SPARK, teachers collaborate and use it to provide more personalized learning and leveraging the curriculum to meet the students' needs.
- B. Progress on the Strategic Plan Priorities



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- 1. See attendance update above
- 2. SPARK Plug has seemed beneficial, when the extended day ends after next year, we'd like to keep this time in some way, but need to be creative since the day will be shorter than it's been

C. Strategic Plan Update

- 1. No updates or edits needed
- 2. Keeping data and priorities in mind for next year when new Mary Lin students come in next year (MAP and Georgia Milestones data are shared as well). Dr. Toney has had meeting with some of the new Inman Park families, and she will be in close communication with Mrs. Briscoe, the Mary Lin principal, to help have a transition.

D. Ranking Strategic Plan Priorities

- 1. With changes to the staff and student community next year, a priority may need to be staff retention and community building along with
- 2. Wanting to maintain a student-focused priority to keep academics a focus and close the data gap within the sub-groups
- E. Discuss contributions to the new elementary school in Midtown no new information or updates

V. Information Items

- A. Principal's Report see above
- B. Cluster Advisory Team Report trying to bring the elementary schools together in a STEAM way before they move on to the middle/high school
- C. HR staff consideration for next year interest applications for only SPARK, Mary Lin and Morningside staff for the new school will end on December 2nd; at that point Harness will begin the hiring process before the application pool opens further at the end of January; Legacy/Grandfathering deadline is December 16th

VI. Announcements

- A. May need to revisit the Ponce crossing guard, school zone paint/signs situation with the new families joining SPARK next year.
- B. December 6th Asynchronous Day the cluster wants to work together to plan an at-home STEAM day; more information to come
- VII. Adjournment 7:49pm [motion: Rana Van Vooris; second: Tony Kearney; 8/8 approved]