

Journey Charter School Minutes
September 12, 2016

6:00 I. Call to order @ 6:03

a. Affirmation of open session

- Attendance: Tanya, Brett, Steve, Carrie, Amber, Heather, Nicole, Joel

6:02 II. Review & approval of minutes from August 8, 2016 (submitted in advance)

- Brett motioned to approve minutes. Steve asked for stipend to be changed to supplies - this was changed by Nicole
- Heather motioned to approve & Joel seconded; all approved

6:07 III. Community Input

- Sheena Cleveland presented about the Buddy Bench - what it is
 - o How a Buddy Bench provides children a spot to sit and others will find them on the Buddy Bench to come & include them in their play
 - o Main purpose is for the whole building - asked if Random Acts of Kindness could do this to cover costs if we aren't already using a current bench
 - o Ideal spots would be by the tree or by the red poles (if we are able to utilize the poles or get rid of those)
 - o Possible project for the high school tech ed department
 - o Change of material would change stigma - metal would be better for our purposes

6:12 IV. Treasurer's Report

a. Approval of governance council training invoice payment \$600

- We do not need approval for the governance council training.
- No deposits this month.
- Two withdraws -
 - o Pick N Save food for the cookout
 - o Governance Council training
- \$13,466.77 in checking

6:22 V. Committee Reports

a. Sustainability – sign up sheets

- Sign up was successful.
- Walking around helped.
- Next meeting we will set committees when everyone is here.

b. Policy and Planning

- Nothing to report.

c. Community Relations

- Nothing to report.

- Brett will contact the paper about coming to the launch of multi-age.
- d. Academic Excellence
 - Brett has a request into Chrissy about adding the 21st century skills to the report card. Response was is this taking the place of the self-directed learning.
 - o Journey will have the 21st century skills & the 3 areas of self-directed learning. Barlow will not report out on the 21st century skills.

6:32 VI. Old Business & Discussion Items

- District's Charter School Task Force 2nd meeting Sept. 21, 2016 (6-9pm)
 - We are encouraging everyone to attend!
- Teacher representation at school board meetings & Task force meeting
 - o Representation from 1 teacher at every board meeting
- Back to school cookout feedback
 - o Extra cookies - teachers appreciated them!
- School supply kits (arrival & distribution)
 - o Arrived & distributed
 - o Shelly is going to contact about a few things that were missing & the wipes not being the Huggies brand
 - o Received a check for \$12.38 from them - not sure why - Carrie is going to connect with Shelly about this
- Open house feedback
 - o No feedback

6:52 VII. Administrator's and Teacher's Reports

- Class numbers
 - o K - 21/class; no changes
 - Barlow is at 17, 18, 19
 - o 1 - 22/23; no one on waiting list
 - Barlow is at 24 in both rooms
 - Two students that are in Barlow that are back - they were in Journey last year & left - do we offer spots to them?
 - o 2 - 22/21; a few on the waiting list
 - Barlow is at 21, 21, 21
- PBIS "common language"
 - o Steve met with Tanya last week - signs in the common spaces
 - Frames for them are coming
 - o Carrie would like to see a random name that supports PBIS & Responsive Classroom

- Sheena is taking that back to the committee
- o Lesson plans were written out, created, & taught it to the children
- o Demonstrating the right way to do things
- o Is there parent education that will be occurring?

- Math pilot
 - o Bridges w/Math Expressions
 - o K has never been a fan of the math program that has been used in the past
 - o Lots of manipulatives are used; not a lot of workbook pages - more solving problems with different things
 - o Challenge will be access to items (like an abacus) that we don't have - more manipulatives to help with decomposing & composing
 - o Staff like what they see; have not purchased the program yet
 - o 3 sets would be approximately \$400; triangle sets would be a bit more
 - o Options to purchase:
 - Grant, Gov. Council money, or classroom budget
- Tanya is working on iPad situation

7:02 VIII. New Business

a. Journey clothing order

- Coming later this month
 - Carrie is working with Heidi Hopp (Barlow) for this
- Tanya got a letter from charter organization - K-5 art contest; monetary prizes - will provide more info to staff this week
- Whole Building Kindness Adventure on 9/22 -
 - o Guest speaker - Celebrating differences near & far
 - o 45 minute program/assembly
 - o Inspires kids to be kind-hearted & open minded
 - o Celebrates best of Kenyan culture
 - o No charge - pay it forward model
 - Jewelry will be for sale in office from Kenyan women - proceeds will go back to support these women; prices vary from \$7-\$10
 - Funds also support buying water & wells to support the people of Kenya
 - o Resources online if teachers want to follow-up or preload knowledge prior to the assembly

7:10 IX. Adjourn

- Joel motioned @ 7:28; Nicole seconded; all approved

Next meeting: Monday, October 10th @ 6:00pm