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Governance Board Minutes

Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 5:00 pm

Location: Catalyst Middle School Conference Room

Members in attendance: Carlie Cardinal, Candie Baker, Kyle Sackett, Renee Schoff, Sarah Rieder, Tabitha Pettit

5:02 pm Call to order: Affirmation of open session in accordance with WI Statute 19.84.

5:05 pm Approval of minutes from previous meeting (December 11, 2018)

Motion to approve: Kyle ; Second: Carlie

5:10 pm Community input

None

5:15 pm Administrator's report

Administrator Report given by Kyle.

Current numbers for 2019-2020:

6th grade: 41 Catalyst/59 RMS (40% of student population)

7th grade: 31 Catalyst (2 students switching to RMS)

8th grade: 33 Catalyst (1 student switching to RMS)

Teachers for 2019-2020: Sandy Wisneski is retiring and her job has been posted. There have been 3 applications received so far. Jen Lee will also be leaving at the end of this year. It has not been decided if that position will be posted as full time Catalyst or a shared RMS/Catalyst position.

5:20 pm Lead Teacher's report

Showcase Night: Kyle and Carlie reported that the attendance was good- at least 80% of parents/families stopped in to see the students' projects. Teachers were please with the turn out during the longer time frame (3:30-7:00). Some families showed up right after school and some near the end of the evening.

Homework Policy: The policy has not changed but all students were reminded of the policy. The policy was also on display at Showcase for parents to see. The homework policy states that when as assignment is due it needs to be turned in. After 1 week of being late without being turned in, the lowest possible grade will be given. This policy is the same for all 3 Catalyst grades. Carlie sends an email home to parents every time a 7th grader has a late assignment. She has found that this holds the students more accountable for their work.



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Raffle Baskets: These will be put together for the May Showcase. Letters will go home later for students to bring in donated item for the baskets. There will be 5 different themed baskets. Kyle will go through the raffle letter from last year and bring it to the March meeting.

Governance Council Ballots: This will be done at the May Showcase. A letter will go home before that night asking if there is anyone interested in joining the Council.

5:25 pm Old business & discussion items

1. Diverse Options Trips - Schedule trips for 2019

The teachers would like to keep this going and will look into scheduling the visits for 2019. Josh Rieder and Candie Baker will drive.

2. Class sizes and scheduling for 2019-20 school year

Discussed during the Administrator's report

5:45 pm New business

None

5:50 pm Evaluation of meeting

5:55 pm Adjourn

Motion to adjourn: Kyle ; Second: Carlie