

Cumberland School Site Council
Meeting Minutes
DATE: May 1, 2023
TIME: 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm
Front Office Conference Room

Present: Laurie Carlson, Jen Gray, Sara Grassman, Gretchen Gabriel, Jing Mao, Austin Harley (note: currently have a parent/caregiver vacated position)

Absent: Uday Vallamsetty

Called to order: 3:05pm

1) Review and approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: [Meeting Minutes \(April 03, 2023\)](#)
Laurie moved, Sara seconded. Motion passed - minutes approved.

2) Principal Update

- a. Laurie will send out emails to families regarding yearly nominations for the next school year council.
- b. Laurie surveyed current attendees on next year membership.
 - i. Three staff members are finishing their 2nd year of 2 year term. Question: can members serve back to back terms? Laurie shared that the bylaws are blank on this, so yes, staff can be members for repeated terms. Bylaws state that staff must have the opportunity to put forth nominations and engage in the voting process in the fall.
 - ii. Austin Harley shared that he might be taking on a bigger role with PTA and will need to step down from SSC membership. This will make for at least 2 open family positions. Laurie to reach out to Uday regarding his intentions for 24/25 SSC membership as he has missed several meetings since his election to the council this year.
- c. In order to bring context to our final 22/23 review of the SPSA to inform input for 23/24, Laurie reviewed 2022-2023 priorities and shared a comparison of Trimester benchmark assessment data in math and reading. We continue to see that 10-20% of students are not meeting proficiency on these assessments and of those students, a majority are identified as Hispanic/Latiné. Laurie shared information about our Tier 2 intervention work and the success of the program for the target grades 1st and 2nd. Students receiving intensive pull-out intervention, once qualified for exit, are showing continued progress on grade level assessments (both Hispanic and non-Hispanic equally represented).

3) Continue Review of District LCAP & Cumberland SPSA; Collect Member Input

- a. Members were given the opportunity to either
 - i. read through the INPUT doc of comments provided by other community partners and either add +1's to existing comments or add new comments
 - ii. Or choose a goal area from the SPSA to read through and comment on.
 - iii. Some discussion was held around the challenges of teaching math for both conceptual understanding and computational skills.
 - iv. Laurie shared that for next year, the district would be adopting new math curriculum K-5 and new phonics curriculum K-2. This will require a fair amount of time for professional development and will be prioritized in the 23/24 SPSA. As well, staff has had a strong foundation in UDL PD and is ready to move to implementation

phase with onsite support - moving away from the need for outside consulting. Therefore, Novak Consulting will not be included in the SPSA for next year.

- v. Related to the STEAM goal of a school-wide Science Fair, Laurie shared that the teacher leadership team has reported they are pleased with the adopted science curriculum (Mystery Science). It is robust, hands on and addresses grade level standards. They report that a traditional Science Fair is not necessarily aligned with grade level standards and would prefer that, if pursued, it be an outside of school enrichment activity. Laurie shared that several PTA members have come forward expressing interest in spearheading a school-wide event. Laurie plans to meet with this group to identify the function and goals of such an event and to ensure the PTA goals align with school site goals.

- 4) Traffic Safety Discussion (con't from Jan 2023 meeting: [4-SSC_MeetingMinutes_01-23-23](#))
 - a. This topic was requested by Uday. As he was absent, we postponed for future meetings.
- 5) Update on GreatSchools rating process (Uday Vallamsetty)
 - a. This topic was requested by Uday. As he was absent, we postponed for future meetings.
- 6) Staff Development Grants Update- none
- 7) Follow up to any previous discussions-none
- 8) Input for Next Agenda/Community Input

Next meeting:

DATE: August 28, 2023

TIME: 3pm-4:30pm

LOCATION: Office Conference Room

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 PM

Meeting Minutes prepared by: Jing Mao

Minutes Approved: August 28, 2023