

School Advisory Council

Crawfordville Elementary

December 5, 2016 at 4:00 pm

Members in Attendance: Staci Welch, Chair
Belinda McElroy, Principal
Heather Hatfield
Bob Donaway
June Davis
Eileen Durant

Renee Kelly, Co-chair
Frankie Harvey, Assistant Principal
Kelly Mitchum
Christine Saulter
Amber Allen

- Welcome by Staci Welch. Meeting called to order at 4:00 pm.
- **Discussion of SIP Goals and how they are created:** Staci Welch presented information explaining how goals are created on the SIP Plan. The plan is based on the previous years' data. In order to develop goals, the SIP Chair, SIP Co-Chair, and Principal looked at attendance data, ELA Grades, Math Grades, and FSA data, the Florida State Assessment, and both state and district concerns. After analyzing the data, the goals that were developed are:
 1. Attendance - Decrease attendance from 74 to 62 students with less than 90% attendance.
 2. ELA – Increase the total student proficiency in ELA to 65% on FSA.
 3. Math – Increase the total student proficiency in Math to 69% on FSA.
 - Ms. Welch explained that both the Math and ELA goals are a 3% increase over last year's FSA performance.

Strategies to accomplish these goals were discussed in committee meetings.

- **Discussion of SIP Budget:** Belinda McElroy presented information on the SIP Budget and how funds should be spent. It was stated the School Improvement Funds cannot be spent on anything that is not in the SIP Plan. A question was asked by Bob Donaway, "Can SIP dollars be used to purchase lollipops for the attendance goal?" The answer by Belinda McElroy was "Yes". Belinda McElroy clarified that Spelling Bee Awards were taken from the General Fund and this was okayed by Sue Anderson.

- **Committees Present Concerns and Needs:**

ELA – Presented by Kelly Mitchum. Ms. Mitchum shared that the committee's concerns are in finding resources for non-fiction (informational) paired passages. The committee also discussed concerns with Cold Reads.

Math – Presented by Christine Saulter. The committee met on December 2nd. The committee discussed the need for stronger Math fluency skills and discussed the possibility of an incentive for fluency. Inquiry was also made about software/online programs for math support. Discussion was

held about the possibilities for enrichment such as Math Superstars/Sunshine Math, Accelerated Math. Belinda McElroy stated that the use of the buses for Operation Brainpower is a possibility for enrichment opportunities. Staci Welch asked if Operation Brainpower can be offered for the lower grades. The answer was “yes” and Staci Welch will share this information with Kindergarten teachers. Eileen Durant asked about the need for Math books or a study guide to be sent home for assistance with homework. Heather Hatfield shared that Think Central has Animated Math Models that are helpful tutorials. Discussion was held regarding the need for an informational sheet with passwords/log ins. These had been provided by the district office in previous years. Heather Hatfield will work on these. These will be added to Welcome Packets next year.

Technology – Presented by Heather Hatfield. The district purchased 65 back up batteries to be distributed throughout the schools. An infrastructure trial for FSA on-line testing will be held on January 25, 2017. Mrs. Harvey added that there is the possibility that either lap tops will be hard wired or more computers will be purchased to increase the computer lab capacity to 50 stations for on-line testing. This will allow classes to test in the mornings. The funding is from a district grant, Technology for Education.

Parent Involvement – Presented by Amber Allen. The committee discussed successes and concerns from previous years. Data Day on the weekends did not have a large participation rate, so the committee feels that a week night might be better. New ideas and suggestions for this were discussed. Amber shared that a Candy Cane and books activity had been suggested by a committee member. This will be considered for next year. Upcoming events are Holidays Around the World, Chili Cook-off, and the school festival. The committee would like to look into the use of social media and tools such as Remind to enhance communication. Discussion was also held about more incentives for attendance. Local businesses have provided certificates to be used.

- **Review finalized Parent Involvement Plan for 2016 - 2017 and Vote:** The finalized Parent Involvement Plan for 2016-2017 was presented by Frankie Harvey. Amendments were made. Frankie Harvey stated that after discussion with Sue Anderson the “subject to change” amendment was not needed because the plan is a “plan”. PTA was changed to PTO throughout the plan. A motion was made by Kelly Mitchum to approve the Parent Involvement Plan for the 2016-2017 school year. The motion was seconded by Bob Donaway. Unanimous vote to approve. Motion carried.
- **Questions and Concerns:** Staci Welch asked if there were any questions or concerns. None were stated. June Davis said she was excited to hear that attendance was improving.
- **Future Meeting Dates:** The dates for future meeting will be: February 6, 2017 and May 8, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.
- **Vote to Adjourn:** A motion to adjourn was made by Bob Donaway. The motion was seconded by June Davis. Unanimous vote to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

