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School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

9/26/17

Montford Middle School

Members Present: Mr. Lewis Blessing, Dr. Deborah Thomas, Christy Hanna, Brooke Pautsch, Martha Cummings, Libby Farmer, Jessica Boykin, Keisha McQueen, Mandy Schnittker, Shirley Washington

Excused: Peggy Benton, Jimmy Perkins, Tiffany Ward, Beth Bass, Peggy Benton, Tara Jihad, Meredith Carter

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:05pm.

Approval of Agenda & April 2017 Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the agenda and August 24, 2017 SAC minutes; the motion carried to a second without objections.

Principal Blessing Update: (By Dr. Thomas)

There was a brief introduction of new and returning SAC members for this school year.

Mr. Blessing reports that there are 1073 students this school year.

The district removed two portables from the Montford grounds for this school year.

Two of the 4 new teachers were previously interns at Montford. Excited to have Ms. Boris as the new strings teacher, from North Carolina.

Excited to have the last 15 flat screen monitors for the rest of the classrooms. They will hopefully be installed before the Thanksgiving holiday; the company installing them will be as least intrusive as possible to the classrooms where they are being installed. The new classes got lucky that the monitors are now 75 inches instead of 70 inches wide. School is focussing on technology investments to help compete with the changing world.

Other news: We will be having a 'Hat Day' next week to collect donations to help with Hurricane relief efforts for the American Red Cross. There will be a second 'Hat Day' in later in October as well. For the rest of the school year 'Hat Days' will be to benefit the Montford Relay for Life team.

Overall we have had a great start to the school year.; we have great teachers and sports are doing great as well.

Dr. Thomas presented the ballot used to request new SAC members along with the 5 new members that were selected (6 applied). They are Jessica Boykin, Meredith Carter, Keisha McQueen, Mandy Schnittker and Shirley Collins-Washington.

SIC Plan: The timeline will remain the same as last year, plan to turn it in by next week. Goals are same as previous year, they were tweaked a little to improve plan for Math, Reading and Science sections. Goal is to increase the lower 25% of students' test scores. Last school year the goal was the same and there was a 38% increase in scores. Dr. Thomas also updated the Business Partners list on SIP plan to reflect current Partners for Excellence.

There was a motion to Approve SIP plan and a second to pass the plan as presented.

DAC Report by Mrs. Libby Farmer:

There was no DAC report because the meeting was rescheduled because of the storm to Oct. 5th.

PTSO by Mrs. Martha Cummings:

Patrons program was rolled out at Open House. Already have over 10 donors and the 8th grade seats are very popular. We are promoting the Patrons Program via Facebook and Listserve.

Spirit sales went really well at Open House and the continue to do them in the mornings on Game Days and every other Friday. Pizza sales was successful on Friday, Sept. 15th.

Old Business:

No Old Business to discuss.

New Business:

No New Business to discuss.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be October 19th at 6pm.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:23pm.