

Volta Elementary School
LOCAL SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, October 17, 2017

3:30 P.M. in the Library

MINUTES

1. Mr. Ayman Al-Badawi called to order the LSC meeting at 3.36 p.m.
2. Mr. Al-Badawi took roll call. Members present: Emily Mariano, Ayman Al-badawi, Crescencia Delgado, Merced Alday, Marjorie Rivera, Guadalupe Sandoval, Dipal Parekh (absent), Rizwana Patel (absent.), Natavarbhai Patel , Sakina Sabeeh, Maria Gutierrez
3. Approval of Minutes with the correction of names 1st Mr. Al-badawi and & 2nd by Ms. Rivera.
4. MTSS: Ms. Thepsiree reviewed the cases of the students who attended summer school, she met with teachers, and reviewed the students who received tier 3 intervention last year. Ms. Thepsiree will attend MTSS training, training for tier 2 & 3 systems and structures. The ILT looks at the core instruction.
5. Counseling: Ms. Styzek and 8th grade teachers will accompany 8th grade students to a High School fair on Oct 10th at Palmer. Volta will have parent high school information sessions: Oct. 24 y Nov. 2. Ms. Styzek has been visiting the classrooms. Recently she was in a DL room and she shared a map with the members. She explained that she used the map with the students to help them think about their options for high school. Ms. Styzek has begun with SS Grin. BHT is more than tier 1 support. Ms. Styzek will present BHT to staff on Nov. 3rd.
6. Ms. Sandoval provided a Bilingual update: Screeners were completed by deadline. There are currently 555 students in the bilingual programs. The programs that exist at Volta: Spanish-English Dual Language, transitional Gujarati, Transitional Program of Instruction for all other languages. There was a large turnout for the first title 1 meeting. Both the organizational elections for Title 1 & BAC were held on the same day. Mrs. Delgado is the president of the BAC and Mrs. Gutierrez is the president of the PAC.
7. Principal report: Mrs. Mariano reported:
 - a. There will be a playground beautification project with Playworks and Volta volunteer on Saturday.
 - b. The auditorium was chosen to be refinished by the district at no cost to Volta.
 - c. For teacher professional development (PD) teacher leaders were identified for the elementary summit. The ILT will priority goals. Wendy will work with our grade level team, PK-2) on balanced literacy workshop. The dual language teachers met twice after school with Schurz high school with Ms. Sandoval. Administration wants to support their work put money aside so they meet after school.
 - d. Office of diverse learners: Even though there was decreased enrollment in special education there were no funding cuts because it was justified. No cuts due to expanding

DL program. School Profile Review for diverse learners visited our classrooms. A couple of strengths they noticed was progress monitoring and co-teaching through tier 2 & tier 3 data. Mr. Al-Badawi asked what Volta needed to on. Ms. Mariano said one item is to show explicitly the collaboration of teachers.

- e. 5 Essentials: Area of Focus Neutral: effective leaders: implementing a shared vision for success, Collaborative teachers: teachers collaborate to promote professional growth both admin. Go to meetings. Supportive environment: school is safe, demanding and supportive: J. Morquecho is supported in PDs, is part of the BHT. SQRP will be released in mid-October; attendance is 96.9% CIWP: SIOP Framework, CHAMPS (School wide and classroom management system), OLWEUS, bullying prevention program.
8. Old Business: Selection of new LSC rep: Candidates: Daniel Hey had a child in the dual language Kindergarten classroom. He was a LSC community representative. He was happy to apply for the LSC because he didn't want there to be a vacancy. Dipti Patel has a child in 1st grade and another in 7th grade. She wants to know what is happening in school. She is interested in what the school is doing for the children's education. She will join Family Focus when they need her. At 4:21 a motion was made to move to a closed session and accept Fajila Taylor as translator in the session. Mr. Al-Badawi made the 1st motion and Ms. Rivera made the 2nd motion. The members returned from closed session at 4:33 p.m. Mr. Al-Badawi made the nomination to have Daniel Hey fill vacancy, he made the 1st Ms. Rivera made the 2nd motion. Roll call vote was taken: Ms. Sandoval-yes, Ms. Gutierrez-yes, Ms. Alday- yes, Ms. Delgado-yes, Ms. Sabeeh-no, Mr. Patel- no, Ms. Mariano-abstain. Ms. Taylor asked if she can give Ms. Parekh vote. Mr. Luis Garcia stated the rule: do not allow vote by proxy. The final vote: 6 yes, 2 no, 2 absent, 1 absent.
9. New business: none
10. Budget report: 20th day adjustments: SGSA/225 fund because the enrollment is more than projected, the school received \$11,895. The Title I fund (332) decreased to \$5343.02. Mr. Garcia explained that the PAC must resubmit the budget to be approved by the LSC. The budget specialist approved. Ms. Mariano passed out the new budget. Ms. Alday asked if the city gives money for each student why students have to bring so many supplies. Ms. Mariano recommended that the LSC needs discuss this issue. She shared a detailed report of the internal accounts. The members were grateful for the details.
11. Public participation. Lela Majstorovic is the Chief of Schools for Network 1, 44 schools. Her number is 773-534-1100. She explained the process for posting the principal position. It begins with an advertisement which is approved by Ms. Majstorovic then submitted. The Talent office will post it on an ebulletin. It runs for 10 days. The LSC will receive the resumes in 15 days. The LSC members brings the opinions of others. Mr. Hey and Ms. Sandoval agreed to draft the advertisement. Ms. Majstorovic will send Ms. Sandoval the template and an example. LSC offers contract. Ms. Majstorovic will send a template to Ms. Sandoval who will share it to Mr. Hey. LSC cannot communicate via as a group. Members can be added as Bcc but reply has to be to the individual only, no group messages. Mr. Garcia will provide a principal training for the LSC members. Mr. Hey asked the outcomes of the meeting Ms. Mariano had with Alderman Laurino. Ms. Mariano explained that the school need has to be specific.

Mr. Al-badawi made motioned to adjourn the meeting and made the 1st motion; Mr. Hey 2nd the motion. The meeting adjourned 5:17 p.m.