

Minutes of the SPMT meeting 10-10-17

Present:

I. Nebouvailo, CCT and Math
S. Franklin, SSST
J. Donahue, Capstone
R. Murphy, English
M. Cardalliaguet, SSST and WL
D. Stannard, Resource
W. Decter, ART
P. Schneider, Advisory and Business
S. Ciarcia, Administration
Z. Parrish, Administration, Bell Schedule
M. Edmonds-Duff, Administration
V. Smith. PTSO
B. Corcoran, Administration
C. Bruni, Nurse
K. Frank, Clifford Beers
L. Bryson, ART and Business
S. McCoy, Activities

Please note: There is now an SPMT folder in the Career High School Folder where minutes, agendas, and other documents can be seen.

1. Minutes of the September meeting reviewed. There were no questions. Jay Kemp and Jay Muhammad have been invited to SPMT.
2. There is further brief discussion about the objectives for the SPMT to pursue this year:
 - increase student and parent voice. We would like to have students from every grade who could then take information back to the advisory groups. Decter will discuss with Grandfield-Shimanski. Ms. Murphy will also look into this. Ms. Smith reports that Mrs. Sexton will be sharing meetings with another parent, Cassandra Bordeaux Lawrence.
 - SSST referral process can be streamlined by making the referral as part of the grade level meetings. THERE IS NOW A SSST FOLDER IN THE GLT/PLC RESOURCES FOLDER ON THE GOOGLE DRIVE. IN THIS FOLDER IS A LINK TO THE SSST REFERRAL FORM. WHEN YOU FILL OUT THIS FORM THE INFORMATION GOES DIRECTLY TO DR. FRANKLIN and is time stamped. Each GLT can access the form to make a referral as necessary. An e-mail contact list for SSST members will be sent to GLT's so that they can notify the SSST members in advance as to which students will be discussed at upcoming meetings, so that SSST members can try to attend.

- monitor the new GLT/PLC meetings to determine the impact they are having on student success. We will have a longer discussion about this at our next meeting. Some suggestions: look at how many students have been reviewed, change in students' grades or behavior, and other measurable and not so easily measurable parameters. We will invite Jackie Lemon (sp) and Emily Palin from RISE to discuss how other schools are measuring success to get ideas.
- establish an overall Activities Bulletin Board so students can know what meetings/clubs are happening and when and where. Mr. McCoy will take this back to his committee. There may be an unused bulletin board which can be hung.
- develop a brochure detailing all of the clubs available. Ms. Murphy will continue to look into this.
- periodically check in on year 3 SIP objectives
- October 27th we will have the Hispanic Heritage Celebration during 4th period. On October 12th we will have the teacher's breakfast.

3. Report on Saturday SAT Academy from Ms. Corcoran. Fifty-five juniors attended the SAT Academy. Twenty-five of these 55 hit 1010, which is the national average. (The national "college bound" average is 1055.) Of the 55 students who participated in the academy 30 showed growth, 11 showed no change, and 14 had a drop in scores. Overall 130 students took the SAT and 73 showed some growth, 21 showed no change, and 31 had a drop in scores. We had 34 students get 1010 and 19 students get 1055.

*** 77% of the students who got 1010 or above participated in the Saturday Academy.

Feedback: some students said the class started too early, the food was great, and the SAT instructors should communicate with the Math teachers. There seems to be a lot of interest in the program from this year's juniors. The SAT will be earlier this year (in March.)

Students are getting credit in their math classes for practicing on Khan academy.

4. Dr. Parrish's report.

SIP Objective #1: Colin Yap is a Yale student who will be here to tutor our gr 10-12 students on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 12-2, in science, math, and reading. He is also looking for other Yale students who can tutor.

We will have 9 sessions in PLC on text dependent questions. The first session in each PLC will be for the participants to give the facilitator feedback as to their learning needs.

SIP Objective #2: We will have our first PD on Crucial Conversations on November 6th.

Kim from Clifford Beers will be back for PD on Social/Emotional Learning.

Departments are revisiting self-efficacy strategies identified last year by BLDT for implementation.

RISE: We are working with Emily at RISE to find a new Student Success Coordinator to replace Amy Owen. We are also looking for a new reading tutor.

Ms. Jalil and Jay Muhammad are arranging a college visit for sophomores.

**Emily Palin will be in the school on October 16th and on October 23rd to answer anyone's questions about RISE.

Higher Heights Partnership. Jay Muhammad is taking 60 seniors through the college process from A to Z. He is here from 7:30 to 2:45 pm Mondays through Thursdays in the guidance suite.

5. Activities: Please respond to Mr. Cotto's e-mails within 24 hours. No response indicates that you approve.

The new Christian Club is allowed as long as it makes clear that ALL comers are to be accepted into the club. This goes for every club. No one can be excluded from a club.

The Activities committee will compile a list of advisors of record for each club.

6. Parent voice-Ms. Smith.

- The next PTSO meeting is October 11 at 5:30 in the Library. There will be an update on the GLT's and changes in Math. Mr. Koehler is the teacher representative to the PTSO. ALL TEACHERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.
- On October 11, 2017 there will also be a Community Resources Fair.
- There are new parent members who are interested in participating in SPMT.
- On October 26th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm there will be a workshop on the "Danger of Social Media."
- Report Card Night will be on November 16th from 5:30 to 7:30 and there will be a POT LUCK DINNER!! November 15th is the half-day for parent conferences.

ACTIONS:

Speak with KGS re: more student participation in SPMT-Decter

Communicate with Emily Palin and Jackie Lemon to attend next SPMT meeting-Corcoran

Items for agenda for next meeting: Discussion of Monitoring PLC/GLT for success and approval of SSST google form-Schneider

Discuss creating Activities Bulletin Board and compile list of club advisors-McCoy

Consider creating club/activities brochure-Murphy

Respectfully submitted,
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October 11, 2017