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Lake Joy Primary
School Council
Minutes
February 7, 2019

Present: Pat Chiappetta, Amie Daniels, Jodi Short, Shela McCracken, Derek Holtz, and April Strevig

April Strevig started the meeting with the pledge. She then opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

The agenda for the meeting was reviewed. Aime Daniels then made a motion to approve the agenda. Shela McCracken seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

The minutes of the December meeting were reviewed. Jodi Short then made a motion to approve the agenda. Pat Chiappetta seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

The first order of business was to review the PL work regarding common assessments and unit planning. Dr. Strevig explained the form from Solution Tree that our staff is using to complete the unit planning. The staff is working through the process to strengthen our instruction and essential standards. We reviewed the MAPS testing and the data that the school is gathering using this test. Also, this test allows us to use the same test every time to receive immediate feedback regarding student performance on tests. In 2nd grade, students are taking the MAPS growth test – this way we can make sure students are making adequate growth regardless of their starting point at the beginning of the year. We are also noticing substantial growth from classes that have implemented the phonics program from the Teachers College in NY (Lucy Calkins). After looking at data, the phonics program will be fully implemented in the 2019-2020 school year.

The next order of business was a review of our Academic Opportunity (AO) time. The school assessed data and changed the way we serve students during AO time. Teachers have rearranged their groups to include all students so that students can either be enriched or remediated. All students will work with the teacher at least once a week.

We also discussed with the council if they thought online videos teaching math strategies would be a help for homework. The council thought that would be a great addition to parent resources available.

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April Strevig discussed the next essential standards workshop on March 7th. Currently, we are looking for ways to best help our parents. We are looking at teacher recommendations, school council recommendations, and feedback from parents.

The council was updated on the new lunchroom design. Choice #2 with the palm trees was chosen and the project will be completed by the end of the spring break.

We still have not received final information regarding the sidewalk, parking lot, and electrical sign. Right now, their main concern is safety measures for students as they are dropped off and picked up in the afternoon. As soon as we have a final number and date of construction, we will pass that information on to everyone.

With no additional discussions, a motion to adjourn was made by Shela McCracken. Derek Holtz seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is April 25, 2019.