

10/9/2018 Meeting:

5:00 - 5:05 Call to order, Review meeting agenda, Sign-in

- In attendance: Sonia Geerdes, Sarah Gilmore, Jason Kopecky, Allison Gleichman, Julia Prokoporyeh, Lindsay Killian, Kaela Evans, Barb Silverstein

5:05 - 5:10 Distribute CSC Handbook to New Members
Review rules of order, quorum, and consensus-based decision making
Review Officers: Chairperson (Kaela Evans) and Secretary (Allison Gleichman)

5:10 – 5:55 Increasing Parental/Family Involvement

- Review Parent Satisfaction Survey Results - Notes:
 - Lower response rate (same level as district rate but down from year before)
 - Lots of positives in communication, in being welcoming, in academics
 - Growth: opportunities for parent workshops, trainings, classes 71%; parent/teacher conferences satisfaction 87% but dropped 10%; child being challenged by work given 76%
- Discussion Notes:
 - Hopes that having a second set of conferences in spring will help as will having a more student-led focus (vision-driven)
 - Parent workshops:
 - SEL possibilities: some increase in responsive classroom materials being sent home but perhaps more so and in person opportunities; maybe including/increasing SEL info in teacher newsletters (currently included in ECE)
 - Need for more support with math: possibly grade-level differentiated math games/information (maybe copies sent home for parents to work with); understanding of differences in how parents were taught math versus how kids are being taught it now; finding ways to get kids excited about math/STEM; communicating CCSS Math Practice standards
 - Reading support: older grades moving to reading to learn and not just learning to read; ECE had a good experience with a Denver Public Library presenter; Spring Showcase (April 2019) 3/4/5 could showcase some performance task work
 - Homework help night: more information on how to support your child using questions and helping to get them to think rather than doing it for them (part of SEL night)
 - New nights scheduled:
 - 11/6/18 Social-Emotional Learning; specific topics to be chosen at PTA (6 different sessions will be offered; kids will have a puppet show to watch) - Sonia will look into recording it
 - Jan 2018 Science Night - Science Fair and other fun science stuff
 - March 2018 Cultural Night
 - TBD Family Fitness Night and Art/Maker Space Night
- Decision-Making:
 - Pi Day (3/14) math party differentiated by classrooms, during school day and led by students; focused on workplaces, encouraging positivity, and parent prompts of how to ask questions of your children; surveying families for time most likely to attend

5:55 – 6:15 Supporting all MCT Student Needs / Developing an Inclusive School

- Discussion Notes:
 - Stems from PTA discussion of concerns around supporting mental health/preventing bullying, needs of whole child, how to report issues
 - Screening about student needs coming up - grades 3/4/5
 - Begun last year
 - Three main categories of self-report: socialization, internalizing behaviors, externalizing behaviors
 - Flags kids who could use additional supports
 - Will share information with families if child is flagged
 - Students then work with school psychologists and are reevaluated in spring
 - McT School Culture Committee (NOT the same as Cultural Night)
 - Created survey for staff on SEL implementation and needed supports
 - Considering how we celebrate school values related to learning
 - Student & staff reporting
 - Did training for all staff on signs of and responses to suicide, self-harm, threats
 - Will do K-5 training on Safe2Tell and other reporting / safe space options

6:15- 6:25 Open Floor – New Topics, Questions, or Proposals

6:25 – 6:30 Reviewing Action Items and Next Steps

- Next month: homework amounts and intentionality, Class Dojo and how it is being used

Action Items

- Sonia: schedule Safe2Tell presentations