

MINUTES
DELL H. ROBISON MIDDLE SCHOOL
School Organizational Team Meeting
Location – Virtual Meeting
October 28, 2020
3:30 PM

School Organizational Team Members:

Tracy Karas, Parent Member
James Jones, CCEA Member
Michael Morrisett, CCEA Member
Maria Lopez, ESEA Member
Savannah Garcia, Student Member
Laura Nowlan, Community Member
Immer Liza Ravalo, Principal

1.0 Welcome & Roll Call

Meeting was called to order and SOT members were introduced by Immer Liza Ravalo.

Present: Tracy Karas, James Jones, Maria Lopez and Immer Liza Ravalo

Absent: Laura Nowlan and Savannah Garcia.

- Ms. Ravalo informed the SOT members that we lost one of our CCEA SOT member, Dr. Morrisett, who passed away in late October.
- Ms. Ravalo gave us a quick introduction about the SOT. She informed us that per regulation we are required to have a meeting once a month while students are attending school. At Robison Middle School, we will likely meet on Tuesdays, or Wednesdays, at 3:30 p.m.

2.0 Old Items

2.1 CHROMEBOOK DEPLOYMENT UPDATE. Information.

- Ms. Ravalo shared that the school continues to deploy Chromebooks by appointment.
 - *The school deployed over 955 devices. There are 79 students with their own device/computer and attend class regularly. We have 87 students who have never responded or replied to let us know if they need or have a tech device but those students do attend class regularly. Some students with special circumstances receive paper packets. .*

2.2 ENROLLMENT NUMBERS. Information

- Ms. Ravalo shared that as of today, we have 1,135 students enrolled. Our 6th grade student enrollment is at 263, our 7th grade student enrollment is at 433 and our 8th grade student enrollment is 439 students. Any students who have 11 or more unknown absences will be withdrawn after the 11th consecutive day.

3.0 New Items

3.1 20-21 TITLE I PARENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT POLICY. Information.

- Ms. Schau, our Title I Learning Strategist, shared how the Title I money was used this school year.

- *There was a budget of 532K plus change. The money was allocated into four additional licensed staff to reduce classroom reduction, one learning strategist and 30K to pay for our Safe School Professional to help our counselors and provide better service to our students.*
- *Some additional Chromebooks were purchased and paid for our school website services so we can keep our community and parents informed.*

3.2 COUNSELING DEPARTMENT: SEL SEMESTER PROGRESS. Information.

- Ms. Prentice, 6th grade counselor shared the counseling department focus goals for this school year.
- Ms. Prentice shared that the cyberbullying incidents have doubled and are focusing on addressing cyberbullying by increasing family engagement.
- Ms. Prentice and the counseling team shared the “Needs Assessment Survey” that was presented to the students in mid-September 2020.
 - *In the survey 760 students out of 1129 responded to the survey.*
 - *The highest student concerns were from 205 students who responded that they were worried about low grades, 132 students were worried about social media, 120 were worried about their homework, 101 were worried about their own obligations and felt sadness, 93 felt anger, 92 experienced a loss and 90 students were worried about keeping their friends.*
- Ms. Prentice shared that as a department they have to figure out what is the best way to address the student concerns. The counseling department challenges include working virtually and there are limitations due to confidentiality.
- Ms. Prentice shared that they are focusing on what they can do to help:
 - *The counseling department is holding virtual class lessons, focusing on coping, study skills, test taking, and social skills.*
 - *They are holding a small group focusing on (SEL) Social Emotional Learning topics.*
 - *They are focusing on parent engagement by providing parent lessons, and sharing resources through monthly parent meetings and at other parent requests.*
- Ms. Ravalo shared that today the students had our first virtual House Party to help our students with socializing and meeting new people.

4.0 General Discussion

NONE

5.0 Information

NEXT MEETING. Discussion and Action

- The next SOT meeting is scheduled for November 18, 2020 at 3:30 p.m.

6.0 Public Comment Period (Two (2) minutes maximum allotted)

- No public comment

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.