Oakdale Elementary SCC Minutes February 11, 2016

Chairperson: Julie Clawson Principal: Kierstin Draper

Voting members present: Angela Oviatt, Julie Clawson, Cyndi Harrison, Alecia Falk, Kurt Stevens, Elcena Davenport

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Non-Voting Members in Attendance: Kierstin Draper

Visitors in Attendance: Shirley Cline

Fifth Grade Presentation

- Overall 5th grade goal is to make sure all students are challenged. Sometimes highest students fall between the cracks and we don't emphasize their needs.
- Some of the activities that were added to the curriculum were:
 - o Entered a Math Matters competition that was run by a credit union.
 - o Participated in Biz Town, where students go to the town and run an entire town for a day. They learn finances, marketing, and teamwork.
 - Science fair projects. Four of five students who advanced to the district are now moving on to the regional competition.
 - Students are learning debate skills to enhance their writing and be more thoughtful about their arguments. For example: is the Grinch guilty of theft?
 - Peer Leadership Team has been selling val-o-grams to earn money for the learning garden. (PLT is all 5th grade students. They want to be leaders and volunteer to do things within the school).
 - U of U Engineering fair students are competing in a catapult competition to create a catapult that will launch exactly 12 feet.
 - Emphasis on essay writing. Sometimes the prompt comes with written material that students need to cite, other times it is more abstract. Using Utah Compose software to support writing skills.
 - o Grateful for the new Chromebook cart

Challenges

- Students bringing knick-knacks to school
- Students would like to do more art
 - Discussion arose about an art club
 - Elementary schools are not permitted to have clubs
 - Any after school activities would need to be led by a volunteer
- Students would like more time to play, and they will begin using minibreaks during their 2-hour morning block.
- There seems to be no bullying in the grade, students are kind and learning how to work as teams through these enrichment activities.

SCC Business

- Approval of January Minutes
 - Cyndi motioned to approve minutes
 - Alecia seconded the minutes
 - Minutes approved
- Subcommittee reports
 - o CSIP/Trustlands
 - We would like to add some accountability pieces to the CSIP to ensure that PM data is being collected and reviewed.
 - We would also like to add steps to ensure that intervention students' data is being reviewed regularly to monitor the effect of the interventions.
 - It was asked if teachers and aides meet to discuss students receiving intervention. No, because our teaching schedules overlap so the achievement coach is the liaison between intervention aides and teachers.
 - Kierstin suggests 2 meetings before the March 30th deadline for CSIP
 - Julie questions if all teachers are prioritizing the same literacy goals?
 - Cyndi proposes having Amy and Kierstin to present data and talk about what we want to do with the data as we create the 2016-2017 CSIP. Kierstin suggested the meeting be a subcommittee CSIP working meeting at 3:30 on February 25th, with a proposal on having the planned (scheduled) meeting on March 10th.
- Table safety report and budget report until March meeting
- Kierstin asked for feedback to take to the district concerning brain boosters
- Alicia suggested that the teacher presentations be shorter to allow more time for the SCC to work through the agenda