Paul Banks Elementary Site Council Minutes 09/20/2017

Members:

Deb Turkington Jeri McLeanJenifer KumferErin BriscoeKaty CountissStephanie FainEric Pederson

Meeting will convene at 3:00

- I. Establish Quorum -All members present
- II. Review and Approve agenda -Reviewed and approved by all
- III. Review and Approve Site Council Bylaws -Reviewed with no questions or suggestions. Motion to approve by Jeri McLean, seconded by Jenn Kumfer.
- IV. Review tentative School Goals *-Talked about Personalized Learning and reviewed the introduction letter that will be sent to parents to explain what PL is, and when it will begin at our school (Wave 2). -Discussion: What does PL look like at a K-2 level? Currently doing Daily5 and other programs where students have a choice. Already headed in this direction, more student directed learning.*

V. Bus arrival and departure

-Discussed the changes that have taken place this year with bussing and the concerns that have accompanied these changes. There has been a lot of feedback from parents: worried about earlier start time, students standing waiting for busses at major intersections in the dark and with winter coming the potential for students to be at bus stop when plows go by. Also concerns about longer bus rides (is there a policy about bus rides being no longer than 45minutes?)

-Also discussed the morning drop off area in the hallway. What can we do to make this transition better? More parents are driving their students to school this year because of bus issues, and it is causing more congestion in the parking lot and hallway during drop-off and pick-up times. There is also concern over supervision of students in the morning. What are some solutions? Could there be a group in the gym or a reading group in the hallway? Could volunteers or Aides to provide extra supervision?

VI. Violin/Preludes update

-This is the 2nd year of our Preludes Violin program. Last year we wrote school goals the included Preludes. This year will determine if we continue with Preludes or not. Issues to discuss: How does Preludes factor into the scheduling for the school? Currently 90 minutes/week of instructional time is lost to Preludes. Positive aspects of Preludes include: making Paul Banks special, it is a confidence builder for students, increases students stamina, among many other things.

- VII. Next meeting will be a KPBSD Budget Meeting on October 17th. Homer Middle School at 5:30pm (please note this is a different date that originally schedule).
- VIII. Adjourn