

MINUTES of PTA/PAC

Meeting Date: January 25, 2016

Call to order: A monthly membership meeting of the Madison PTA/PAC was held at Madison Elementary School on Monday, January 25, 2016 in St. Cloud, Minnesota. The meeting convened at 6:03 pm. Miranda Gilbert, PTA Chairperson presiding, and Marcus Paden, Secretary

Members in attendance

Miranda G, Rhiannon K, Julie C, Colleen O, Matt C, Karen K, Amanda J, Dan S, Marcus P, Vashti S, Billi R, Jean C, BriAnne H

Welcome and Introductions

Guest Speaker

Dennis Whipple, St. Cloud School District Board Member

What's going on at the Roosevelt Education Center? It is a special education building with programs called City Life, CO2. It also houses Level 4 emotional and behavioral students (K-12). Level 4 students spend more than 60% of their time outside of the classroom. Madison did send students to Roosevelt.

What will the administration look like next year? The principal's position must be posted publicly and applications accepted. This process will start in the Spring.

What is the plan since the referendum failed? The superintendent is working with a representative group of people who agreed to figure out where to go from here. In addition, there are about 15 community groups (i.e. Chamber of Commerce, Business Owners) the superintendent will meet with to figure out their needs. All data will be compiled by April. An online form will be available for community members not on a committee to voice their opinions.

Principal/Assistant Principal's Report

PBIS data shows student behavior is getting better. Green Zone students are 98% of the student population (0-1 referrals), up from a low of 92%. Yellow Zone students account for 1.84% of student population, down from a high of 5.91%, Red Zone students (6 or more referrals) account for .12% of the student population, down from a high of 1.85%.

One book one district will start on January 29th. Staff and faculty in the have been recorded reading chapters of the book and those are available on the district website.

Test scores are becoming less important because of legislative changes. Instead of requiring every student to be at the same level, students will be assessed based on where they are at the beginning of the school year and where they are when the test is taken. The goal is for each student to progress individually.

Star Testing – The math scores need improvement but the reading scores are doing better. Every student will know their goal so they can work towards it. Although some students were below level, the students are categorized at high growth, meaning they are progressing quickly.

Conferences are February 9th and 11th.

Students get a Mustangs slip when they are seen being Responsible, Safe, or Kind. They are put into a drawing to get a Mustang Award which is given Monday's. All of the classrooms pick a student for the award and they get their picture taken as a group. Mustang Award winners will then be entered into a drawing for a chance to have lunch with the principal and vice principal in their office. This will happen Friday's.

Budget Report

A request form for funds must be sent to the treasurer, and approved, before reimbursements can be made.

Members voted to approve funding for Movie Night on February 12, 2016

Volunteer Opportunities

Teacher Conference Potluck – Tuesday, February 9th

Family Movie Night – Friday, February 12th 5:30pm – 7:00pm

Upcoming Events

PTA/PAC meetings – February 15th, March 21st, April 18th, May 16th

Festival of Cultures/Silent Auction – Friday, May 20th

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.