

Norton Elementary School
S.A.C. Minutes
Tuesday, March 21, 2023

Meeting started at 5:05 p.m.

Members Present: Katherine Bailey, Tristin Ballentine, Priscilla Brannon, Nicole DeHart, Amy Drew, Dave Garzon, Cory Goeltzenleuchter, Elena Mayo

Members not in Attendance: Kathrine Faenza, Tim Montgomery, Dorothy Sullivan, Kenetta Sutton

Non-SAC Member in Attendance: Annie Harris

Adoption of Agenda: A motion was made to adopt the agenda by N. DeHart and seconded by C. Goeltzenleuchter. The agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

Approval of Minutes: A motion for adoption was made by C. Goeltzenleuchter and seconded by T. Ballentine. Minutes were approved with no changes by unanimous vote.

ABC Report Card:

Mrs. Mayo reviewed the Norton ABC scorecard, highlighting district and Norton updates from PM2, with the committee. (Scorecard with detailed data provided).

Attendance - Norton is just above the district average. Our African American subgroup has improved greatly. Ms. Hill has done a lot of work with families to help, while others have returned to their home zone school. We are looking at creative scheduling for next school year to consider tardy students not missing critical subject areas.

Core academics - Norton is closest to being representative of the district as a whole. Our scores typically fall at district average or just below. Science is below district average in 3rd-5th grades, but above SI schools. Our African American student population, a subgroup we are focusing on, is at the district average. We are aiming for above 41%. 4th grade student scores last year were weaker, which is important to note when looking at this year's scores. Kindergarten is working closely with leadership team members to improve math scores. Important notes - The school's focus the past several years has been on reading. This year, the state is only looking at achievement vs. growth and achievement. N. DeHart asked about the 8% Math ESE category and what we are doing to increase it. Mrs. Mayo explained that there is a very low number of students in that subgroup, with more profound disabilities, and we are focusing on their gains. Teacher retention is also a struggle within our ESE department, along with our loss of a self-contained unit.

Budget Update:

- **ADV - \$9,099.47**
 - This budget requires the principal to inform, but not require SAC approval, to spend funds.
 - Mrs. Mayo informed SAC that \$4,300.00 would be utilized to pay our Instructional Intervention Coach to run summer school.
- **LOT - \$1,488.70**
 - This budget requires SAC approval before spending.
- **Teacher LED - \$3,100.34**
- **Generation Genius**
 - The committee approved the use of SAC funds to purchase *Generation Genius*; however, general school funds were utilized. We are looking to get teacher feedback at the end of the year, as well as consider usage. K. Bailey discussed that students enjoy seeing other students physically do experiments. We will revisit this with the SAC committee at the end of the year, to consider purchasing again for the 23-24 school year.

News Items:

- **Substitute Shortage**
 - We are lucky to have Ms. Brannon reaching out to our "regular" substitutes, while many other schools lack support.
- **Dr. Atem - March 23rd**
 - A current parent, and one of *The Lost Boys*, will be coming to speak to 5th grade this week. 5th grade also reads the book each year.
- **STEAM Night - March 30th**
 - This event is run by PTA, who often partners with the University of Florida. We had 400+ visitors last year.
- **Publix Math Night - April 17th**
 - This is our final Parent & Family Engagement event for Title I this school year. Students come with their families to complete real-life math problems throughout the store and earn a prize at the end.
- **PBIS Carnival - May 25th**
 - This event will be run similarly to last year, with how successful it was. We love that every student has the opportunity to participate. We will need parent help and donations.

Community Input:

- N. DeHart asked if there is anything that the school needs overall that SAC could help fund, such as benches for the playground, etc. Mrs. Mayo said she would look into that possibility and would like SAC to consider purchasing books for *One Book, One School* for the 2023-2024 school year as well.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting: A motion for adjournment was made by K. Bailey and seconded by P. Brannon. All members were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

The next meeting will be held May 9, 2023

