**Norton Elementary School**

**S.A.C. Minutes**

**Tuesday, September 15, 2020**

Meeting started at 4:03 p.m.

**Members Present (in person):** Elena Mayo, Tristin Ballentine, Cory Goeltzenleuchter, Kathrine Faenza, Stephanie Baldwin, and Tonya Nunn

**Members Present by Zoom Meeting:** Nicole, DeHart, Tesi Jester, and Jeff Tice,

**Members not in Attendance:** Joel Romelus and Lakeshia Young

**Non-SAC Member Present:** Annie Harris

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the August 4th meeting were previously shared by email; A motion to approve the minutes was made by K. Faenza and seconded by T. Nunn. Minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

**Adoption of Agenda:** A motion for adoption was made by N. DeHart and seconded by C. Goeltzenleuchter. Agenda was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**School Improvement Plan** - **Mayo**

The SIP is similar to last year but there are no fresh assessment scores.

* Achievement gaps for African American students are close to gaps on all sub groups
* AA groups are down on suspensions
* Overall suspensions are down by 15%
* Aims scores went from 64% to 46% in math; not sure scores are valid since no testing in the spring due to COVID; No comparison district-wide
* Math and ELA are still a focus; Committee has been split
* Looking at more authentic cultural literature with novels identified by 4th and 5th grade
* Working on Unity & Community – with COVID no ability to have anyone walk through campus
* PBIS – continuing to using the Positive Behavior Incentive System
* Using Olweus Curriculum - all classes are having morning meetings
* We have 2 Guidance Counselor this year
* Focusing on culture and not bullying

Our goals are on focus and in line with all District goals

The environment seems to be more mellowed out with more emotional issues from COVID. There are about ten students per day coming back to traditional brick and mortar as parents are getting a reality check of what online learning is really about. It seems that most of the students with health concerns are staying home for learning.

The Title I ratio is approximately 59%. At the last survey it reflected at around 83% but this number is not correct. We are not capturing this information correctly since parents are no longer completing forms.

Norton has lost about $45,000 this year in assistance funding.

Ms. Nunn suggested Brown Sugar and Spice which targets casually diverse novels. They also have fictional and historical videos which showcase diversities and can be put on the web.

**Adoption of SIP:** A motion for adoption was made by S. Baldwin and seconded by N. DeHart. The SIP was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**Student Health and Safety:**

* To date there have been no positive cases of COVID at Norton
* Everyone, students and staff, is keeping their masks on and social distancing
* Parents are helping and being proactive
* There are a couple of cases being monitored
* Norton’s nurse is testing with parental permission and with the parents present; turn-around time for the tests is 24-48 hours
* Custodians go in daily and clean the classrooms
* Custodial staff has gone through training for proper cleaning
* Buses have their own cleaning process
* Kelly Services has contracted extra janitorial help with the additional cleaning
* Parents are being responsible and going through the right channels
* Students automatically social distance as a routine
* As an extra precaution, Facilities came out and cleaned an area which we don’t think anyone really knew

**News Items:**

* Norton Facilities
  + New playground equipment for Pre-K and Kindergarten has been ordered and will be coming in but students will not be able to use due to COVID restrictions
  + We have ordered two water bottle filling stations for students and staff to use
* Instructional Units
  + We are looking at additional units
  + Have roughly 540 students, both B&M and DA; There are about another 90 in eSchool
  + We may be able to hire another 50% Title I intervention teacher giving us 2 ¾ units

**Community Input**: J. Tice mentioned the old logo found throughout school’s website. Mrs. Mayo will have J. Bailey address this.

The next meeting date is October 13th at 6:00 p.m.

**Motion to Adjourn Meeting:** A motion for adjourn was made by T. Ballentine and seconded by K. Faenza. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.