**Norton Elementary School**

**S.A.C. Minutes**

**Tuesday, April 6, 2021**

Meeting started at 6:06 p.m.

**Members Present by:** Elena Mayo, Tesi Jester, Stephanie Baldwin, Jeff Tice, Nicole DeHart, Tristin Ballentine, and Tonya Nunn

**Members Present by Zoom:** Cory Goeltzenleuchter, Kathrine Faenza, Joel Romelus, and Lakeshia Young

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

**Adoption of Agenda:** A motion for adopting the agenda was made by T. Jester and seconded by S. Baldwin. Agenda was approved by unanimous voice vote.

**Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from the December 8th, 2020 meeting were previously shared by email and a hard copy was also available; A motion to approve the minutes was made by N. DeHart and seconded by K. Faenza. Minutes were approved by unanimous voice vote.

**Half Cent Sales Tax Initiative**

* Pre-K Playground – has been installed
* Kindergarten addition – musical items are installed and students are plying on them

Would love to show SAC anytime when school is not in session, even after meeting if anyone is interested

Question was asked if any other improvements for Norton is in the pipeline; Some school renovations will be coming but Norton is way down the list. Norton will be getting some new flooring in a couple of areas and some concrete/sidewalk will be replaced this summer due to tree root erosion. The trees have already been removed.

**Budget Items:**

* Current Balance
  + ADV $17,081.39
  + Lottery $5,052.41
* **Requests**
  + Assistant Principal for summer – Salary $7,000
    - $3,500 ADV
    - $3,500 LOT (this is the only budget item to vote on due to limited summer planning)

Motion to approve $3,500 from Lottery funds for Assistant Principal’s Salary for summer was made by N. DeHart and seconded by J. Romelus. Motion was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Other budget items are listed for SAC information only

* + Shred-It $150
  + Periodicals
    - Scholastic and Time for Kids $2,000 – may decide to use after get through new textbook adoption
  + Summer training for staff – Standards for primary grades
    - $5,000 – staff development is critical

N. DeHart asked is summer training would be enough to focus on Standards and help with staff development. Ideally, no but there are unknowns for funds to start the school year and we don’t want to run low.

**News Items**

2021-2022 School Budget: T. Jester reviewed the allocated budget for Norton and how the funds, based on projected count/numbers, has to be distributed into various budget areas. T. Nunn added a little insight on this as well.

Copying: Allocated copying counts for teachers have become a tremendous issue. The Office supplies every classroom teacher with a case of paper each school year and they are allocated a set number of copies each semester. T. Ballentine indicated this is not a big deal for third grade. Mrs. Mayo suggested that if everyone brought their own paper then perhaps the copy numbers would be opened unless we see some abuse.

* + Title I Information – with COVID there has been no in-person training this year
    - Family Engagement Plan
    - Home School Compact

Please read through these items and email your approval or suggestions to Mrs. Mayo

* + Extra Support for Students
    - Student needs vary; most needs are with students not coming to B&M M-F
    - Concerns about student burn out
    - 4 Paras using very scripted program with EDEP students
    - J. Bailey tutoring 4 days per week
  + Testing Opportunities
    - Students come to campus 2 days week to take AIMS; this is to help them feel comfortable in prep for FSA
    - Held student/parent simulation with sample reading/math test; parents got a good feel for complexity of the test
    - Faenza – DA students were anxious but after using hand sanitizers, seeing cleanliness, and processes they started feeling much more comfortable
    - B&M – 2 days of testing
    - DA – 3 choices
      1. Test with class
      2. Saturday or Friday - teacher planning day; 2-day sessions
      3. No options that work - talk about options

J. Tice – any worry about people choosing “No options that work” and “no shows”?

Ans: Test admins are always available and we will be on it. There will be people calling and calling to try to make this happen.

* + Testing Opt Out – By law we are required to test every student
    - 3rd grade is auto retention grade if test not taken; alternate test is available
    - If less than 90% of students test then school is penalized
    - Legally must present test to student; it’s up to student whether or not they open the test
  + Class Placement Requests
    - Counts/class size currently look the same for the 2021-2022 school year
    - Envision to return to primarily B&M for fall; don’t know if State will fully fund DA

**Other Business**

PTA tried to have some read-alouds for Black History and Women’s History but had some difficulty having students participate

Have had some really nice student projects for Black History, Women’s History, Asian History, and Pacific Islander. Trying to put together something for the parents since they have not been able to come into the school this year and see these.

Terwilliger will be closing and students and staff will move to Elementary I for the upcoming school year. Any student can apply for a zoning exemption if they would like to transfer to the new school. There will be a big zoning shuffle for the 2022-2023 school year.

There is a motion to close Duval which the School Board will be voting on tonight. Duval’s 120 students will be shifting back to their zoned schools.

**Community Input**: None

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

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.