Mar Vista Site Elementary

School Site Council Meeting, September 10, 2013

2013-2014

Meeting commenced at 4:35 and concluded at 5:25

1. Welcome and Introductions – In attendance were: Elizabeth, Stephanie, Sharon, Dorothy, Risa, Todd, and Kristin
2. Review Minutes from last meeting – Risa moved to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Dorothy.
3. Review Site Council Tasks –
   1. The site council will be working with plans for Measure L and talking with Brett. We need to know: When do fences go up? What is our time line? We will contact him.
   2. Review Site Council by-laws – Each member reviewed section 14 of the Site Council binder.
4. Review Assessments and Data with Stephanie – (see 2 attachments CST Percent Proficient by Grade level) According to CST data from last year, Mar Vista looks really good. The majority of students are at proficient and advanced for math, and language arts. Our goal is always to move students up.
5. LRT/SRT process and purpose – There are meetings a couple times/year. LRTs are language study teams for students who are language learners to talk about their needs. SRTs are for students who are struggling in one or more of the 5 subject areas. This is used to start the SST. A way for every teacher to talk about students they need support with. There are 3 days that are set aside. A midway check -in happens twice a year, in time to do an intervention.
6. Review SIP timeline – There is a School summit, 10/2, 8:30-1:30 where Principal Livingstone shows our students achievement and what our focus areas are. Our focus areas are writer’s workshop, readers workshop, and math cgi –cognitively guided instruction. The SIP is to be completed by 10/25. We will discuss this further in the next meeting.
7. Review Data Team work from the SBC Day - Our school wide focus is on writing, and learning about our writers workshops units of study which have been purchased. These are set up to mesh with bench marks and the books are user friendly.
   1. The new CCSS focus on writing.
8. Review Leadership Meeting – We tabled this discussion until the next meeting.
9. Mars Fridays – On the retreat last year there were conversations about common core standards.
   1. We had our school wide Math assessment with the new Math Common Core State Standards. MARS stands for mathematical assessment resource service. There will be 2MARS tasks/month. MARS assessments are similar to what will be on the common core assessments. For teachers these tasks have been very eye opening. They require higher level thinking and coming up with multiple answers.
10. AB 484 – (see attachments) This Assembly bill will suspend STAR testing which means Mar Vista would be stuck with our same API score for 2 years. Or, schools can opt in to taking the MAP new Common Core State Standards test. This is good news for our students. We have to opt out as a district and as of right now it is not decided. It is being voted on today.
11. Open/Other –
12. Future Agenda Items –
    1. contact Brett regarding Measure L work timeline etc.
    2. Review/work on safety plan
    3. Review/work on SIP
    4. Is another copier needed in the teacher’s work room?
    5. Do we need to address our parking/pick-up situation?
13. Next meeting: Tuesday, October 8, 2013(second Tuesday of the month). Dorothy moved to adjourn the meeting and Kristin seconded the motion.