School Community Council Meeting Minutes Nov 20th 2017

Attended: Natalie, Missy, Melissa, Kim, Nichole, Shanna, Principal Davies, Amy, Heather, Nicolette Fike

Report from: Shannon & Jacque on Ron Clark.

Shannon, Jacque & Natalie went to Ron clark academy training.

Important points:

Increase student engagement, ensure academic rigor, and create a climate and culture to success.

Founders Kim Bearden (sp) and Ron Clark.

The 3 pillars

The essential 55 written by Ron Clark

Discipline and respect is different with these kids, the kids know how to carry a conversation, they have internal drive, the look you in the eye and shake your hand. They challenge each other.

They teach to the highest students.

The kids reason and question.

The kids had energy about everything they were learning.

The kids learn how to act and behave in the real world.

Possible house system for Hidden Hollow.

We'll need about 9 houses for our school.

The kids take more responsibility to take care of each other and compete with other houses,

They have all grade levels in each house.

The end of the year they get to have a winner.

They get to see how many points they have each month.

We'll need to get sponsors, help needed from the community.

The kids have shirts and get points for wearing their shirts on certain days or for good behavior,

The kids get more excited to be good examples.

You have to experience it, and we need to have as many teachers go as we can.

What can we do to help get this going.

- -Get the word out!
- -Give teasers.
- -Start getting parents thinking about it.

We can go to a house assembly at Meadow Elementary.

Lets actually teach kids life skills for when they leave our school.

Sending teachers and parents to Ron Clark, about 850ish per person. Sending more, about 5000 for 3 people to go this year for 2 full days at the school.

We're keeping Ron Clark on the agenda so we can keep talking about it.

Looking at test scores 2015-2016 the 6th grade should be doing good this year. We can break down the scores by class if we need to. Do we attribute the drop from 4th-5th and the 5th-6th to class sizes, to curriculum or teachers time. Heather is worried about her larger class size this year. We teach to the middle since that is the majority of the students. We can look at more training and resources to teach the kids that are at a higher level. BTS the reason for higher science scores. (Amy) Trying to do more science this year because it packs more of a punch.

Do we do flex time? Each grade does this a little different and logistically it is harder to do. Some aids come in and help with the middle kids and the teachers can focus on the struggling kids. Logistics and funding make it hard.

Trying to get the kids familiar with dibels, the scores are heading in the upward direction from the beginning of the year.

We can determine wether we want to hone in on a certain subject to put our money towards that.

No meeting until Feb because of the Teacher collaborations we like to visit. Collaboration incentives are going away and they are adding professional development days in the summer. The collaboration attendance is no longer required but we are free to still invite parents to join collaborations. Lets see what the teachers are working on and access needs of each grades. Everyone agrees that we should still attend collaborations so we can discuss what needs the teachers and grades need. Its a great way to see the academic needs of each grade. Needs might even be more time to prep but, it could also be a shopping list of materials.

One or two parents per grade to attend collaborations. Split up so we don't double up.

Collaboration Break-ups Kinder- Kim & Natalie 1st- Rachel & Missy 2nd- Nichole & Natalie 3rd- Rachel & Missy 4th- Melissa & Missy 5th- Shanna & Nichole 6th-Nichole & Kim

Have it done by March for SURE but if you can do it sooner do it so we can get talking about it.

Netsmartz Assembly tentatively scheduled Feb 23rd. Check to see if it is an option to have a parent assembly. Advertise earlier so parents can plan for it. Natalie follow up with netsmartz.

Next Meeting February 13th. Email a copy of the budget to SCC members. Missy meeting adjourned Shanna Seconded.