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VRHS School Accountability Committee

Notes of Meeting for Q1

September 7th, 2022

1. Welcome and Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves.

2. SAC Updates

a. SAC Bylaws & SAC Flier

Eileen shared the flier with the committee members.

b. Proposed Meeting Dates for 2022-23

The dates will be reviewed later in the Agenda

c. SAC Appointment of Chairperson

Vicki McKenzie was approved as SAC Chair

d. SAC Appointment of Vice Chairperson

Brandon Henry was approved as SAC Vice Chair

e. SAC Appointment of Secretary

Katie Scott was approved as the SAC Secretary

f. District Accountability Advisory Committee (DACC) Representative

Sharon Smith will continue as the DACC Representative with Hillary Douglas as her second.

g. Appointment of Community Members

It was agreed that we had sufficient numbers of Community Members

h. Appointment of Teacher Representatives

It was agreed that we had the correct ratio of Teacher Representatives

3. Approval of Dates

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The following dates were approved.

Dec 7th, Feb 8th and Apr 26th. Becki said if there was a need for an additional meeting this could be arranged. The committee agreed that one weeks notice would be fine.

4. DACC Update

Hillary reported that there was a huge presentation by Andy Franco about the sub committees. There are a number of Charter Schools with applications submitted for renewals and expansions. The sub committee will tour each of these schools. The tours for the four renewals will include looking at family engagement and continuous improvements. The two expansion schools are James Irwin and PPTA. PPTA is applying to take K-12 instead of K-8. All tours are to be completed by September 15th with a D49 Board meeting to review these happening shortly afterwards.

We are to make sure that we are posting our meetings on our Website.

Peter Hilts will present the new structure of the Central Office at the next Board meeting.

5. Principal Report

Becki updated the committee on the new teacher appointments to the school as follows:

Melissa Beyer - English
Ross Waldo - Math
Anita Mascarenhas - Social Studies
Charles Persall - Social Studies
Christine Logsdon - Social Studies
Lauren Hicks - Art
Jennifer Havelka - Art
Chad Breedlove - JROTC
Craig Thompson - JROTC
Jeremy Ackerly - PE
Todd Cofer - PE
Tracy Kosman - CTE
Crystal Rattin - CTE
Leah Phelps - SPED

There still remains a number of vacancies.

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EHallpass- is a new system for controlling student traffic out in the hallways. It will be rolled out next week with the Counseling Team, then other parts of the school. It is thought that parents picking up students will use the existing system of paper passes for the moment.

SSICA - is another system that we are introducing that will primarily be used for events.

Staff celebrations - Andi Adams, our Yearbook and Photography Teacher was named the 2022 Colorado Student Media Association Adviser of the Year.
Theresa James is Colorado Teacher of the Year finalist.

Events - Becki reported that there are a number of events coming up including Football games. We will continue to tweak our security measures around the games. Other things include a Tailgate competition and Homecoming festivities.

Student Council - open communication with Admin sharing plans and asking what they can do to support leadership.

Discipline - Our discipline referral numbers are down. Severity of things is down overall. We suspect that that is because lunch has been shortened. Off campus students are in the media center.

Instructional coaches - Amy Rogers now full time.

We as a school are working on the following elements this year:

- Relationships
- Clear and Consistent Communication
- Response times for emails within 24 business hours
- Student achievements.

6. Unified Improvement Plan (UIP)

Becki shared her screen with the committee to show the projects being worked on. Further information will be shared when it is available.

7. Review of Budgets

Becki reported that the Budgets are still being worked on. More information will follow as the budgets get set.

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Current expenditure will include replacing Macbooks that have expired. We are awaiting costs. A replacement plan will be developed to support this in the future.

It was suggested that Becki ask for the results of the Budgetary Audit that took place last year.

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