

Killington Elementary School

Board of Director's Meeting

February 11, 2016 @ 8:15 am

APPROVED

Present – Jennifer Iannantuoni, Laura McKenna, Butch Findeisen, Mary Guggenberger - Principal, Sarah Rasmussen - Clerk

1. Meeting was called to order at 8:32 am
2. Motion was made to move out of order by Butch, seconded by Jen.
3. The Board went into executive session at 8:33 am to discuss personnel issues.
Board came out of executive session at 9:00 am
4. Jennifer made a motion to approve the minutes of January 6, 2016. Seconded by Butch and approved.
5. Public Comments/Visitors: none
6. Correspondence: none
7. Action/Discussion:
Discussion of Music Instruction Programming at KES
8. Administrative Reports:

Principal's Report

Education:

- Title I Allocation - FY'17 Allocation Process has begun and students qualifying based on local assessments have been submitted to WCSU. We should learn approximately how much KES is eligible to receive in the next week or so based on a weighted average. Next step, once we determine the amount of money we are eligible for, teachers and I will determine best use of funds to remediate math and language arts based on assessment data.
- Kind Hearts at KES - In order to promote positive behaviors and minimize misbehaviors, KES has designated February to be the month of kind hearts at KES with a focus on taking care of each other. Red hearts in the hallways represent acts of kindness that KES students have either witnessed by another student or have been the receiver of an act of kindness.
- SBAC Testing is in the planning process. Test dates have been set to begin after April break. Grades 5 & 6 will begin the testing window on April 19th and grade 3 will end the testing session

May 26th. More information will be shared with parents on how they can help their child(ren) prepare for the testing sessions. New this year: Test results are proposed to be released within 14 days of the final test date. This amenity will allow teachers time to analyze test results and better plan to close any achievement gaps with targeted interventions before the summer break and the start of the new school year.

- Kathy Ernst, Math Interventionist, has been working with classroom teachers to refine and enhance best teaching practices in the content area of math. Teachers have embraced the coaching that Kathy has been providing and are enthusiastically growing professionally as a team. During the January In-service, teachers identified characteristics of a successful KES math student while describing teaching strategies that will develop successful KES math students. These research-based strategies are supported by National Council on Teaching Mathematics. Collaborative discussions, modeled teaching, and student work analysis will continue as a theme during professional development sessions throughout the remainder of the year.
- The Technology Team met to discuss the vision for technology at KES. It was determined that Raphael Adamek, IT Integration Specialist at WCSU, will reach out to Chromebook manufacturers in order to demo a variety of models. This process will help to inform decisions on which type of device to replace the aging Netbooks. It was also determined that grades five and six will transition to a new device next year while the remaining functional Netbooks will service both grades three and four.

Business:

- Enrollment: K-6 - 91; Preschool - 15;
 - Tuition students - 36
- Safety: Lockdown drills and Egress drills are on schedule according to VPA guidelines.

9. Meeting Adjourned at 10:16 am.

Next KES Meeting: March 10, 2016 at 8:15 am in Killington Elementary School
WCSU Full Board – March 14, 2016 at 6:30 pm, WCSU Conference Room