

SOT Minutes 11/16/20 held from 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Present:

Rosalia Bautista – Parent
Cynthia Daniels – Teacher
Gail Garrett – Support Staff
Betsy Gillis – Teacher
Antoinette Graham – Parent

Roxanne James, Principal

Student Engagement:

- It was noted that students are showing up to virtual classes but not paying attention, not being verbal and have their cameras off.
- At the last staff meeting, teachers were asked to hold students more accountable and to only teach directly for half the time allotted per class (approx. 60 min)
- Suggestion to improve engagement: Parent Video demonstration – to offer parents tips for checking in on students
 - Ms. Gillis will put it together
 - Roll out date? Will try for after Thanksgiving Break
 - Video Content?
 - Participation Expectations
 - Stress that grades matter

School Board Meeting Results:

- Kids will not be returning to in-person school – concerned about another shut down which will delay return until Jan/Feb.
- When students do return, they may get new schedules and teachers
- Surveys for parent preferences for return will be open through Nov. 20
- Teachers/staff have been asked to put in requests for accommodations
- Suggestions to smooth the way for transition back to school
 - Putting together a video with do's and don't

Yes, but not until we have dates for when students will return
- The school will start putting something together in December
- Mics & cameras have been ordered and should be in the building 11-17-20

Map Testing Data:

- Students will be taking MAP tests again the last week in December
- Per the change graph, the only decline was in 6th grade math – down 5.9 points

Grant Updates:

- Grant out of Washington DC has been submitted
- Looking to cover the cost of instrument upkeep – cost approx. \$10,000 - \$15,000

- Grant submitted for \$14,000 – won't hear back until April 2021

Semester Exams:

- Moving away from pencil & paper
- Project-based exams are being piloted to show overall what students have learned and asks students to explain their learning across a full semester
- Teachers are being given the option to use PBL and to determine how they will be implementing the projects
- After the piloting of the project-based exams, remaining teachers will be looking to implement them between March – May 2021

Review of the Clark County Code of Conduct:

- Includes explanations of actions to be taken for inappropriate behavior
- Philosophy is to teach students the difference between right and wrong

General Discussion:

- Next meeting will be December 14
- No items suggested for future agendas
- Looking to get PPE, sanitizer, and plexiglass