

Battle Creek Parent Club Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, October 12th, 2016

Agenda Topic	Discussion Notes
Welcome	Co-President Jen Scott welcomed everyone to the meeting.
Site Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mrs. Dougherty introduced the Battle Creek Site Council, which consists of representatives from the school. This year's members are Emily Luna, Gloria Burtis, and Kathy McSween. – Mrs. Burtis and Mrs. McSween presented information about the BPIS, a positive behavior support system that is being implemented district wide. It is a system in place to recognize positive behaviors with kids and to help them make better choices through positive supports vs. negative consequences. The program at Battle Creek is the Bears Climb to Success (Be Safe, Eager to Learn, Accept Responsibility, Respect others). This year, teachers have developed lesson plans to teach in the classroom to help kids understand the positive behaviors. The site council's goal is to make videos to show kids examples of the positive behaviors that are expected. Becky Rodli –Battle Creek's part-time behavior specialist (funding provided for each of the school)/Instructional Coach works with the staff in professional development for instructional strategies and supports students through positive behavior programs. Mrs. Dougherty added Mrs. Baker's observation that this year she has noticed that the kids really understand the rules and expectations because, now that Battle Creek has been open for four years and the student have learned the BEARs climb to success behavior expectations since the beginning of school opening, they are really aware of the expectations. Mrs. Burtis agreed with this as well. Mrs. McSween and Mrs. Burtis shared examples of "think sheets", which are used for kids to fill out if there is a behavior concern. 15 mins/day are dedicated to social/emotional instruction time and monthly assemblies are focused on characteristics of the month. A new addition this year is the Battle Creek Voice Level scales and staff are working on this with the students. The leftover ice cream is being rewarded to help the students understand the voice level expectations in the cafeteria. Mrs. Dougherty added that there is a matrix that contains terminology for determining major and minor behaviors to help the staff identify major and minor behavior issues. The staff has a tracking tool for the behavior team to track what areas of concerns need to be addressed with the behavior team this year. Intensity, Duration and Frequency are taken into consideration when evaluating the behaviors. – Mrs. Dougherty presented the Battle Creek School Report Card from 2015-2016: Academic achievement overall is at a level 4. Academic growth is a level 3 (from last year compared to peers). Current 4th, 5th and 6th grade parents will be getting a report from the district on their student's SBAC test from last year. Student Group Growth is rated at level 2 (this identifies levels of subpopulations within the school such as special ed, ELL, and low income subgroups). Mrs. Dougherty shared that she is primarily looking for continued growth against peers from last year. Level 4 for English language arts for all students and level 3 for math for all students. Academic growth in English language arts and math for all students rated level 3. Academic Growth scores will be compared to last year and be combined with last year's scores which will help in the ratings for next year. Areas for growth include students with disabilities in language arts, currently rated at level 1, underserved races/ethnicities level 2, math for economically disadvantaged is rated at level 2, students with disabilities level 2, and underserved races/ethnicities level 2. Interventions are taking place to help with these areas. Volunteers can help work with students in the classrooms either reading, practicing their letters etc. Students also work with LRC teachers in the LRC room. Each grade level has a designated certified ESOL teacher to work with ELL students. Mrs. Dougherty walked through the scoring breakdowns. Overall Mrs. Dougherty is very pleased with the results. – If you have topics that you would like to know more about from the site council, Mrs. Dougherty asked to please let her know. – Mrs. Dougherty asked for feedback around the new policy at morning drop off; please let her know if there is anyone struggling with the change. – Mrs. Ross has a presentation that will post on the website that speaks to helping students be successful in school that due to time, we were not able to get to. – Finally, there is a request to help shelve books in the library – volunteers are needed for this.
Summer	– This topic was not covered.

Bridge Update	
Treasurer's Report (Raegan)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Jog-a-thon funds are due in tomorrow. There has not been a lot of spending activity yet, a few teachers have spent some money and one field trip has been paid for so far. – Request from SCIP for \$200 for the teacher to integrate students in with the 2nd grade field trip to the pumpkin patch which requires a small bus which is an additional \$200. Motion made to approve the \$200. Approved unanimously. Request for owl/bat presentation by guest for first grade classes - Motion made to approve the Owl/Bat request for first grade for \$469.98 for four classes. Approved unanimously.
Committee Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Family Fun Night: Everything is ready to go. Donations have been received from Roth's Safeway and Franz Bakery donating cookies, juice and prizes. Volunteers are still needed for the evening activities. Volunteers are required to have a cleared background check with the district. – Book Fair: Volunteers are still needed for this! Everything has arrived. Lila will be doing the drawing for the two teachers again this year. Teacher's wish lists will be available again. Pirate décor on the library window is so adorable! Great job Kim!!! – Jog-a-thon: Feedback on the t-shirts has been very positive! Headbands for first grade were a hit! Jen and Stacia will coordinate next year's event. – Update on running club: Running club will not work out this year. We will re-visit at the beginning of the year to see if there is an interest for next year.
Mark Your Calendars	<p>Oct 13: Fall Picture Day/Last day to turn in Jog-a-thon envelopes with donations!</p> <p>Oct 14: No School</p> <p>Oct 17-21: Book Fair</p> <p>Oct 21: Family Fun Night 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.</p> <p>Nov 4: No School</p> <p>Nov 9: Next BCPC Meeting 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.</p>

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Parent Club Meetings this year (each meeting is 6:30-7:30pm, childcare provided): Sept 14th, Oct 12th, Nov. 9th, No Dec. Mtg., Jan 11th, Feb. 8th, Mar. 8th, April 12th, May 10th, and June 7th.

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