

School Council Meeting Notes

April 18, 2023

1. Call to Order (Amy Lopez)
2. Pledge of Allegiance (Amy Lopez)
3. Adoption of Old Business

- MAP Results
- Campus Beautification
- Playground Installed
- Calendar of Events

Amy Lopez made a motion to adopt the minutes. Barbara Campbell seconded the motion.

4. New Business

- Georgia Milestones (GMAS)
 - Dr. Hammond asked if the parents understand GMAS testing and went on to explain it.
 - Dr. Hammond spoke about GMAS next week. Third grade will test first. Monday – Wednesday (ELA sessions) Thursday & Friday (Math). The rotation will continue with fourth grade, then fifth grade. Fifth grade will also have a science testing session.
- New Administration next year
 - Dr. Hammond spoke about how love for Westside's students, faculty, and staff. Mrs. Allen was introduced as the new principal. Dr. Hammond also told the parents that Mrs. Shorter will move from the role of APD to API. Ms. Lashandra Clayton will be the APD.
 - Mrs. Allen spoke of her vision for Westside: A model PLC, work together as a family, and share data with all stakeholders. The focus will continue to be math and reading. Plans for a math task force are being developed.

- MAP Results from Fall to Spring
 - Mrs. Allen shared the MAP results from Fall to Spring. All data is compared to see student growth from Fall to Spring. Mrs. Allen also discussed projected growth. All grades have accelerated growth, which means we are filling in gaps and the students are growing. Average growth is 50% and the expected growth for the district is 65%. Westside met the expectation across the board. Next step: Take a look at the grades where the expectation was met and what was done to achieve that goal.
 - Dr. Hammond praised the teachers for their hard work. All means all at Westside. Data drives our instruction. Teachers and administrators work together to break down data and plan for the next steps. Dr. Hammond said we have a lot to celebrate because the students are doing well.

- Calendar of Events
 - Thursday Pre-K through first grade will have a dance on Thursday, April 20th.
 - There will be skate party on Tuesday, April 18th.
 - PBIS Luau is on May 12th
 - May 19th – Mega celebration for students that have attended all four behavior celebrations.
 - May 22nd- 3rd & 4th grade awards ceremonies
 - May 23rd- 5th grade awards ceremony
 - May 24th- Away to K (Pre-K celebration)

5. Questions, praises, or concerns

Ms. Lopez followed up on a concern she had about a banned book. Ms. Lopez also asked why we did not sell yearbooks this year. We did not sell yearbooks due to cost and not making profit.

6. Voice of Vision Presentation

- Shared decision making with parents
- Purpose: How can school and home work together to support students.

- Family Engagement Plan
 - Interactive Resource Center
 - Curriculum standards
 - Technology
 - Testing
 - ESOL
 - School-Family Compact
 - Possible summer school for students & high school students would volunteer
 - Parent Input
 - Parent Action Team (see Mrs. Harvey)

7. Adjournment