

MIPAC Meeting Minutes

12/15/16

Attendees

MIPAC Parents: Jennifer Pang (Chair), Rosalie Kuhlmann (Recording Secretary)

Curriculum Specialist: Jie Gao

Principal: Greg Hauser

Guests: Audrey Shaw, Paula Yousef, Jeff Jones (Principal, Newhart), Debbie Carrillo, Karen Wu, Elizabeth Dawson, MC Barossa, Grace Pak

Absent: Juintow Lin, Agustin DelAlamo, Ami Barrett

1) Meeting called to order at 2:07pm by Jen Pang.

2) Minutes from prior meeting:

Greg motioned to approve amended minutes. Jen seconded. All in favor.

3) Current issues:

- Update from 12/14/16 CUSD Board Meeting
 - Ratification achieved. Newhart is the middle school for MIP
 - Jeff Jones – TWI has been a great addition to the school. Viejo community understands that immersion is part of a bigger community. Great engagement. Great experience.
 - a. Spanish immersion – net 36 kids currently at Newhart (started at 40) so there is one class. Next year they hope to have 2 classes of incoming students.
 - b. No requests to test into Newhart TWI this school year.
 - c. Not all TWI immersion kids request/chose 0 period. Completely based on personal preference. Two 0 periods offered this year - 6th grade and 8th grade. One year, 0 period was only offered to 8th graders. Every year is different. Depends on whether there is enough demand and/or enough sections and/or enough teacher interest to teach. There are 5 PE teachers at Newhart.
- Follow-up from action items discussed at last MIPAC meeting:
 - Before and after school care options
 - a. YMCA and Mission Viejo Christian all are interested based on the meetings Ami and Jen had.
 - b. Per Jeff, Outta Bounds is the current vendor and has done an outstanding job addressing the needs of the students and parents. They continue to seek input.
 - c. City of Mission Viejo also offers after school classes (at community center next to the school).
 - d. City of Mission Viejo library – has math tutors that students can use.
 - e. District staff has the action of mapping out before/after school options. MIPAC will communicate information once options are determined.

- Busing – how does TWI do it?
 - a. Elizabeth met with Patricia Holloway. Holloway was pushing for some type of busing from a district level. Holloway told Elizabeth she is taking the action to figure out busing options from the district side. Per Debbie, TWI programs are Title I and, as such, receives funds which are used for busing (among other things). That is now changing. Unsure of how that impacts TWI busing in the go-forward.
 - b. Viejo has busing because they are a feeder school into Newhart.
- Start time flexibility
 - a. Per Greg, the district is looking at this district-wide. No changes until a district wide decision is made.
- Coffee talk with middle school principal & PTA president
 - There is a Newhart orientation for 5th grade (incoming 6th grade) students and their parents scheduled for Feb 2 and 3
 - a. Feb 2nd 6-7:30pm is for parents for incoming 6th graders (at Newhart)
 - b. Feb 3rd – Student orientation at Newhart (during the day). Students will be bused to Newhart from their respective elementary schools.
 - Coffee talk at Bergeson with Jeff Jones and Newhart’s PTA president to be scheduled for a date after 5th grade orientation.
- Update on middle school curriculum adoption process
 - Need to wait for February cycle to submit for approval, because committee members are changing and will not be finalized until January.
- Professional Learning for MIP Teachers
 - TPR – President’s Day, only 1 day of subs required.
 - GLAD Training – 2 day workshop with 5 day follow up. Total cost is \$1070 per teacher. 2017 days are during SBAC testing, so will need to push until the following year. Will look at options that leverage current teachers who have already been trained.
 - AAPPL – Jie to do the training. Total cost of \$25/student. AAPL scheduled for April (prior to SBAC).
- Activities with sister school
 - 5th graders communicated via video conferencing. Principals too.
 - Next time, perhaps just small groups rather than the whole groups. Perhaps leverage chromebooks.
 - Kicking off pen pal activities
 - Suggestion from Jeff - share Google docs for live, interactive communication. Running record of their conversation.
- Other
 - Global Chinese Culture Summer Camp (Big Bear) 2017 in Big Bear (7/2-7/8). Information to be passed to parents via Friends of MIP.

General session closed at 3:10pm.

Next meeting: January 12th at 2pm in the library.