MIPAC Meeting Minutes

5/11/17

Attendees

MIPAC Parents: Jennifer Pang (Chair), Agustin Del Alamo (Vice-Chair), Rosalie Kuhlmann (Recording Secretary), Juintow Lin

Curriculum Specialist/Teachers: Jie Gao, Laura Curtiss-Welsh

Administration: Greg Hauser (Bergeson)

Guests: Debbie James, Polly Cheng, Grace Pak

Absent: Ami Barrett, Jeff Jones

1) Meeting called to order at 2:08pm by Jen Pang.

2) Minutes from prior meeting:

Jen motioned to approve amended 4/20/17 minutes. Greg seconded. All in favor.

3) Current issues:

- Results of 5/8/17 AAPL testing for 5th graders
  - Only one student missed test, expected to make it up when there is computer lab availability. Four students need to retake due to technical issues.
  - Target result based upon programs (5th graders) is Intermediate Low: N4/I1. Scale runs from N1 (Novice 1) through A (Advanced)
  - Overall performance. N3/N4
    - Listening – over half within I (Intermediate)
    - Speaking – N3/N4 (one student scored I4)
    - Reading – N3/N4 (highest I1)
    - Writing – N4 (over half)
  - Takeaways (remember, this is the first time taking any type of a test like this)
    - Still in data collecting phase
    - Reading and writing – room for improvement. Jie has already started putting together materials to focus on this.
    - Listening appears to be strong
    - How can teachers use these results?
  - Probably middle school test would be in 8th grade

- Professional learning opportunities for MIP teachers through December 2017
  - Responsive Classroom (4 days during summer) (8/1-8/4) - Los Angeles. Cost: $729
  - UCLA Reading/Writing Workshop (K-5) 6/19-6/23. Cost $450
  - Daily 5 Café (Writing and Reading) 10/21 - 10/22 $510
    - Welsh recommends
  - GLAD Training (Workshop and Week-long Practice) Dates TBD
• Spring 2018 National Chinese Language conference
• Jie and Rosalie to develop a form for teachers to submit for approval
• APPROVAL: Greg moves to approve funding pending availability of funds for Responsible Classroom and UCLA Reading/Writing Workshop and Daily 5 Cafe. Training will be open to whichever teacher. Jen seconds. All in favor.

- Update on teacher hiring (Bergeson)
  - Two new full time elementary teachers hired (credentialed for Mandarin)
  - Two district Mandarin speaking subs (not long-term)
  - Fully staffed at Bergeson
  - Excellent English teachers available within the district becoming available (district enrollment declining)
  - Long term sub position still open – lost candidate to full time position elsewhere
  - HR was extremely supportive and responsive – Greg feels the HR support has been tremendous
  - Juintow would like to investigate a resident sub. Greg to explore. Approximate cost of $20K/year.

- Update on teacher hiring at Newhart for next year
  - Interviewing today at Newhart for middle school positions (Jie and Greg).

- Reminder to mention at Coffee Talk that there will be 2 open MIPAC positions for next year (and also add to BARK)
  - Greg took the action to do this.

- Feedback from teachers on whether they can commit to attending MIPAC meetings (also dates/times for MIPAC meetings next year).
  - Laura Curtiss-Welsh, Annie Chang are interested
  - Thursdays at 2pm the best time for teachers
  - Start next year’s meetings monthly and adjust accordingly

- Do we need another MIPAC meeting before school start date of 8/22?
  - Currently, no.

- Video production idea – present to FoMIP?
  - Jie and Greg to pitch the video idea to Debbie Carrillo.

- Other
  - None

General session closed at 3:22pm.

Next meeting: TBD after school begins.