

MIPAC Meeting Minutes

10/5/17

Attendees

MIPAC Parents: Rosalie Kuhlmann (Chair), Michael Yu (Recording Secretary), Marc Fudge, Ami Barrett

Curriculum Specialist/Teachers: Jie Gao

Administration: Greg Hauser (Bergeson), Jeff Jones (Newhart)

Guests: Jennifer Pang, Paula Yousef, Melody Lu

Absent: none

1) Meeting called to order at 2:00pm by Rosalie Kuhlmann.

2) Minutes from prior meeting:

Rosalie motioned to approve amended 9/14/17 minutes. Michael seconded. All in favor.

3) Current items:

- MIPAC parent representation
 - Welcomed Michael Yu (Parent Rep) and Mark Fudge (FoMIP Rep).
 - With regards to the remaining open Parent Rep position, Ami suggested middle school representation and nominated Paula Yousef.
 - APPROVED: Ami motioned for Paula Yousef to be appointed as Parent Rep. Greg seconded. All in favor.
- Middle School Update
 - OC Register article sent on MIP in middle school.
 - Ms. Endow and Jeff working through 7th grade challenge without Mandarin history books but work is in progress on historical terms. Content in Mandarin will be balanced to have students still understand the subject.
 - Students are learning to balance the multiple teachers in curriculum – Science, History, Mandarin.
 - Managing different “level” in the class with considerations to not have students in Mandarin history and science if they are falling behind.
 - Old Chromebook cart is available now. We cannot use old Chromebooks from elementary school to refresh middle school carts. Status is good so far with Jeff monitoring. Cost for a new cart with 40 Chromebooks is \$14K.
 - Middle School Staffing
 - a. 7th grade requires teacher to have single subject social studies credential. We need to know by Feb. 2018 if Ms. Endow completes the social studies credential.
 - b. 2018-2019 school year can still be handled by one teacher with 6 sections but will need to get social studies certificate.

- Cultural sharing opportunity at Newhart February 23rd for Chinese New Year. Jeff talking to Ms. Endow about how to integrate into all 6th grade at Newhart. Discussions regarding 6th grade MIP performing a dragon dance at Bergeson.
- Professional Learning Opportunities for MIP Teachers
 - Jie has reached out to Ms. Endow to determine interest in attending 2018 National Chinese Language Conference.
- 50/50 Model Teacher Support Proposal
 - Relief time for six 50/50 teachers (3rd, 4th, and 5th) requiring extra time to collaborate with one another for 5 critical times of the year – 3 report cards and 2 parent teacher conferences.
 - a. Suggested compromise on release days for report cards instead of all 5 days
 - b. FoMIP funding availability concerns with this proposal.
 - Other Mandarin schools with 50/50 models reported to follow similar release times
 - Looking towards FoMIP to fund substitute for release
 - a. Est. \$125/sub/day. Total \$3,750.
 - Consensus was not reached - decision outstanding on proposal request. To be discussed at November's MIPAC meeting.
- Other
 - None

General session closed at 3:05 pm.

Next meeting: November 9, 2017 at 2pm in the Bergeson library.