

MEETING MINUTES

Date/Time: December 14, 2017 / 2:00 PM

Place: Bergeson Library
Next Meeting: January 25, 2018

MIPAC Parents: Rosalie Kuhlmann (Chair), Michael Yu (Recording Secretary), Marc Fudge, Paula Yousef

Teachers: Jie Gao
Administration: Greg Hauser

Guests: Jennifer Peng, Audrey Shaw

1) Meeting called to order at 2:05pm by Rosalie Kuhlmann.

- 2) Minutes from prior meeting:
 - a. Paula motion to approve 11/9/17 minutes. Greg seconded. All in favor.
- 3) Current items:
 - a. Elementary School Staffing/Leave Update (Greg)
 - Mainprize extended leave of absence to end of January, Mak agreed to cover.
 - C.Chang will return from leave on Jan. 8.
 - Jie will return to curriculum specialist role full time and will spend time between middle school and elementary school where needed.
 - b. Chinese Online Reading Program (Jie)
 - Reviewed Level Chinese and iChinese reader
 - iChinese is teachers' preference
 - 1. all subjects in Chinese for reading through 12th grade
 - 2. can switch between traditional and simplified
 - 3. speaker assistant can read to student
 - 4. Cost: \$16/student/year @ 300+ students
 - Greg motion to recommend iChinese program to FoMIP for amount not to exceed \$4,800. Michael seconded. All in favor.



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- c. Assessment Tools (Ms. Lu)
 - Ms. Lu absent, tabled for discussion next meeting.
- d. Mandarin Reading Program (Rosalie)
 - Suggested aides for small group intervention to supplement low readers and allowing teachers to continue with curriculum for rest of classroom.
 - Investigate how to implement with aides.
 - 1. Survey teachers about how to use aides in this program.
 - 2. Review Voyager program or similar to help with implementation.
 - All agreed to move forward on teacher survey to determine if this is a program we want to move forward with.
- e. Chromebooks for middle school (Paula)
 - Middle school MIP needs Chromebooks since currently available
 Chromebooks are only for English classrooms.
 - Suggestion to earmark funds from middle school PTA. Jen will bring this up with PTA in January.
 - Marc to update FoMIP on middle school Chromebook cart situation.
- f. Update on meeting with CVHS principal (Paula)
 - Objective is to plan for future high school curriculum.
 - CVHS principal is in process of investigating high school immersion with middle school.
 - HS looking to map out thoughts on program goals.
 - 1. Suggested that MIPAC and FoMIP had goals of the program identified and will bring that forth.

4) Other

- a. Middle school teacher for next year
 - Greg summarized middle school teacher situation next year with 6 sections required and provided options under consideration:
 - Discussed a few options with current teacher taking on all 6 sections, having 2 teachers but also teaching other subjects, etc. Pros but mostly the cons with these options were presented.



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2. One option available is having 2 teachers sharing curriculum specialist responsibilities resulting in 2 teachers teaching 3 sections each and then taking on 2 sections of curriculum specialist responsibilities each.

General session closed at 3:07pm.

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