

MEETING MINUTES

Date/Time: February 22, 2018 / 2:00 PM

Place: Bergeson Library
Next Meeting: March 22, 2018

MIPAC Parents: Rosalie Kuhlmann (Chair), Michael Yu (Recording Secretary), Paula Yousef, Nancy Lu (FoMIP

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Teachers: Melody Lu, Jie Gao
Administration: Greg Hauser, Julie Ernst

Guests: Polly Chang, Julia Hsu, Jennifer Peng

1) Meeting called to order at 2:08pm by Rosalie Kuhlmann.

- 2) Minutes from prior meeting:
 - a. Rosalie Kuhlmann motion to approve 1/25/18 minutes. Jie Gao seconded. All in favor.
 - b. Michael will notify Nancy Lu (FoMIP Communications) to post.
- 3) Current items:
 - a. ESGI and Voicethread (Melody Lu)
 - FSGI
 - 1. Electronic assessment of Chinese word recognition.
 - 2. Assessor clicks on work on whether it is correct or incorrect. Helps with reassessment since it retains previous record.
 - 3. Generate report on correct and incorrect word recognition.
 - 4. Estimated cost about \$200 per teacher license per year to be reviewed as a site funded program that will be presented to FoMIP.
 - 5. General discussion on survey of teacher for value of this tool and for priority in implementing with other tools in discussion.
 - 6. Jie to include in survey.

Voicethread

 Teachers can create voice reading against a document of words and/or phrases.



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- 2. Possible similar software in use in other Mandarin classes and Spanish program.
- 3. Estimated cost is \$79 per teacher per year.
- 4. Jie to follow-up to find out how other software in use is funded.
- b. iChineseReader follow-up (Jie Gao)
 - Previous concern raised with pricing increase from \$7,000. Follow-up indicated price was only increased one time in past 3+ years.
 - iChineseReader is for content reading and Better Chinese is for conversation.
 General discussion on whether one can replace the other in different grade levels.
 - General discussion on student conversational ability and where we have opportunities to improve this area with iChineseReader or other similar tools.
 - Jie to include this tool in survey with teachers.
- c. MIP Program Study Info (Jie Gao)
 - Jie presented language spoken at home and ethnicity demographics.
 - Various results (ASVAB, SBA, etc.) with MIP students only and entire district.
 - MIP students appear to do better in standardized testing compared to district.
 - Mandarin AAPPL testing results overall majority at or above average.
 - Jie will review with Greg to determine if these results can be posted publicly.
- d. ACTFL Proficiency End of Year Target Alignment (Jie Gao)
 - Standardized proficiency "can do" by grade level tied to the AAPPL assessment.
- e. PD for teachers (Jie Gao)
 - Professional development National Chinese conference in Utah.
 - Need to determine what MIP funding is available for teachers to go and in parallel administration determine how many teachers would go.
 - Rosalie motion to increase the number of attendees for National Chinese
 Language Conference over the one staff that was sent last year based on the
 remaining money left in the FoMIP budget for professional development at the
 discretion of the administration. Greg seconded. All in favor.
- f. AAPPL Cost Assessment Revised (Jie Gao)
 - Rosalie motion we continue AAPPL assessments for 5th grade and incorporate for 8th grade going forward. Jie seconded. All in favor.



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- g. Middle school library books
 - Middle school would like to start building out a section for Mandarin books.
 - FoMIP has budget for library books that is not specific for elementary or middle school.
 - Jie motions to fund middle school library books relevant to curriculum not to exceed \$1,000. Greg seconded. All in favor.
- h. Language immersion subcommittee meeting on bi-monthly basis
 - Audrey Shaw is representing MIP in subcommittee
 - Middle school starting in Fall next year will introduce new English Language
 Arts curriculum Wonders.
- i. Smartboards and projectors issues in classrooms (Julia Hsu)
 - General discussion about problematic equipment.
 - Greg suggested that this is issue teacher should be raising to supervisors.
- j. Video of testimonials (Nancy Lu)
 - Nancy Lu raised desire to update testimonial of MIP program but need to determine FoMIP budget available for this project.
 - MIPAC will need financial information to determine priority and recommendation.
- k. Staffing (Greg)
 - 3rd grade is currently on 50/50 with split teachers. Administration reviewing self-contained classroom/teachers for 3rd grade.

General session closed at 3:29pm.

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