

W. Mack Lyon MS
School Organizational Team (SOT)
December 13, 2017

1.0 Call to order at 6:30 AM by Terry Holzer, SOT Chairperson. Present: Ken Paul, Lindsey Dalley, Aimee Houghtalen, Terry Holzer, Jeanna Mortensen, Theresa Paystrup, Laurana Bush, Mary Beth Adams, Cynthia Nelson, Karleena Landini, Syrissa Jolley.

2.0 Public Comment - None

3.0 Review of Minutes - Minutes approved.

4.0 Student Representative Report - Miss Bush reported that there hadn't been adequate seating in the cafeteria. Recently an additional table has been set up for students in the cafeteria. The morale in the houses has increased among the students. Teachers have also been strategizing and using different incentives and activities to increase student involvement.

5.0 CEAB Meeting - Terry Holzer reported Assemblyman Christopher Edwards was in attendance and requested a report from each school SOT. Terry Holzer expressed concern of the lost programs (i.e. art and credit retrieval). It was announced at the CEAB that Grant Hanevold will replace Jeff Hybarger as the Associate Superintendent for our school. The overall feeling of the meeting was positive. General discussion followed.

6.0 Current Budget - Ken Paul spoke briefly on budget due dates for the school and the district. General discussion followed on budget. Discussion was held regarding the ISTE Conference (Chicago 2018 - 4 days) and the cost of sending a staff member from Lyon MS. Jeanna Mortensen presented a cost of roughly \$1,500 to send one person to the ISTE Conference. Administration and staff uses the Monday Professional Development (PD) time to introduce, train, collaborate and practice techniques teachers have learned and used. One of the concerns of technology pitfalls is the screen time of students. There seems to be a misconception that the students are "on" their Chromebooks the entire time while they're at school. Teachers continually try to balance screen time with hands on collaboration time amongst the students. General discussion followed on the benefits and questions of ISTE.

The American Indian Summit cost it approximately \$1,900 for 4 people (3 days) in Reno, NV. There is not a registration cost for Ken Paul, only those that attend with him. Suggestions were made that fewer people attend or only attend every other year. Another question would be if there could be some sort of financial reserve and using those funds for some tutoring or credit retrieval assistance for the students that need it. General discussion followed.

Motion made to return the topics of ISTE Chicago 2018 and American Indian Education Summit to the next SOT agenda; motion passed.

Teachers excused at 7:28.

7.0 Proportionality Update - Ken Paul presented a letter sent to Steve Canavero, Superintendent of Public Instruction, along with the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 Strategic Budget Plans for Mack Lyon MS. Lengthy discussion was held with the remaining SOT members.

Meeting adjourn at 8:00 am

Next SOT is January 17, 2018.

