Wednesday September 21, 2016

**Allen Parent council Meeting**

Attendees: Kerry Beal, Michele Barkoot, Takeshia Banks, Heidi Harris, Elizabeth H Peters, Torey Madura, Mike Harris, Gina Dahlem, Sara Risley, Noureen Vaid, John Turner, Fatou Kandji, Luciana Aenasoaie, Cara Crisostomo, April Mulkey, Alicia Carroll, Adrian Dantzer, Natalia Czap, Lynne Pauer and Laura Hurst.

Meeting Minutes:

* 5:30 : New Parent Orientation – Mix and Mingle
* 6: 00 Call to order
  + Introduction of Attendees
  + Beth Chapman is the liaison and representative from Allen to Ann Arbor Parent Advisory Committee for Special Education (AAPAC). Beth can be reached by any parent with an IEP or 504 plan.
    - Beth’s contact information is [chapman.elizabeth@gmail.com](mailto:chapman.elizabeth@gmail.com)
    - The AAPAC is a parent group that focuses on supporting children with IEP’s or 504 plans.
    - Meetings at Tappan Middle School in the media center on the first Monday of every month from 7-9 pm. Additionally Student Intervention Support Services Team meets with individual parents from 6-6:50 pm
  + Lynne Pauer
    - Discussed PTO Thrift Shop
      * Flood Benefit taking place this week, which $1000.00 will be donated to Allen Elementary no matter the amount profited.
      * 4 Show your support weeks will take place during the year and will be notified when dates are made.
    - Other donation partnerships mentioned when shopping a percentage will go to the school; Amazon, Kroger and Arbor Farms. A flyer went out with the children this past week mentioning our partnerships.
  + Introduction of Officers
    - Michele Barkoot: President
    - Noureen Vaid: Vice President
    - Elizabeth Peters: Treasurers
    - Alicia Carroll: Deputy Treasurer
    - Takeshia Banks: Secretary
    - PTO Council Reps: Although it is not an official parent council officer. Discussed that they are liaisons between Allen and the district.
  + Introduction of Principal Kerry Beal
  + Mention of Kit Flynn a transition principal that was retired but is assisting principal Beal.
* 6:30 Parent Council
  + What parent council does including support that has been giving to the school in the past activities school wide, grade specific Fun Nights, Box tops as well as teacher support and luncheons.
* 6:35 Parent Council Goals
* 6:45 Updates from Dr. Swift
  + Deadline for project to be completed is by June 30, 16
  + Engineers have analyzed the building which goes to the Architects which goal is for their plan to be presented by end of October.
  + Preliminary look of school showed no structural damage but test still need to be performed as those were visual.
    - AAPS is also checking other schools to confirm that this does not happen to other schools.
  + Insurance policy; goal is for school not to replace things insurance will replace. Additionally purchasing things that can be brought to Allen homeschool.
  + Future meetings with Dr. Swift discussed, TBD by Parent Council leaders.
* 6:50 Additional items addressed
  + Pride week, Service Squad, Science Olympiad, and Green team.
  + Future endeavors
    - School play
    - Committees for after school discussed and that a volunteer would have to be there to run it that is why they are not feasible at this time.
    - Inside recess discussed: possible square scooters, yoga mats and games needed for donation. Common area usage and reasons why it is not an option at this time.
  + Fun Run
    - Spirit Days that everyone participates with, Family participation, Colors for grade also how funds received early and can be utilized throughout year.
  + Busing concerns and the mention of a Supervisor hired for Allen Elementary neighborhood pick up.
  + Mrs. Beal is generating items that are needed for the school (PTO may be able to help out with them).
  + Item storage is limited at West as the four empty classes are being used for storage. Items that are not needed can be stored at our homeschool Allen.
* 7:05 Meeting Adjourned by Torey Madura