Faiss Middle School

School Organizational Team Minutes

November 18, 2024 4:00pm

The Faiss Middle School, SOT meeting was called to order at 4:02pm on November 18, 2024.

Voting Members:

Lacy Sullivan, Parent Shannon McCormack, Teacher - Chair Kara Nieland, Parent - Secretary Jessica Beeghly, Teacher – Co-Chair

Erica Romero, Parent Nichole Gentry, Teacher

Tori Sadiki, parent Renaye Barnes, Support Professional - online Jeff Wells, parent

Roger West, Principal

Non-voting Members:

Zoey Munoz, representative student

Faiss Middle School Administration:

Roger West, Principal Amanda Skrogstad, Assistant Principal

Melissa Giannantonio, Assistant Principal Joe Vespo, Assistant Principal

Shirley Cunningham, Assistant Principal

Agenda Items

1.0 Welcome and Roll Call

2.0 New Items

- **2.1** Approval of the Minutes. Review and approval of the minutes from the October **14, 2024** meeting. Motion to approve by Jessica and 2nd by Tori. Minutes approved unanimously.
- 2.2 School Updates. Faiss MS administration will provide updates on recent and upcoming events. Guest speaker, Jack Schumacher, was at the meeting from Community Transformation Foundation which is a new charity that supports teachers and students. Their mission is to help kids who want to participate in extra-curricular activities but cannot afford to pay. They also help teachers with supplies and other support. The winter performances begin soon along with the winter testing. They are trying to devise a plan to lower the bathroom usage because there are lots and lots of passes during instruction time. The fall sports season just wrapped up and they had a combine banquet to celebrate. Try-outs for winter sports happening now. The Holiday basketball tournament will be held at Faiss on December 19 for two days. The boiler room project started today.
- 2.3 School Plan of Operation. Presentation by Faiss staff on the Roadmap for School Success and the final 2024-2025 budget. A roadmap to success. The Student goal of increasing the math and ELA scores is indeed increasing. A school wide writing curriculum is being used to help increase the scores. The students do CERs (Claim, evidence, reasoning) in all their classes. The adult learning component is focusing on 2-way communication and increasing the number of contacts, it has gone from 11% to 80% so far. The connectedness goal is focused on chronic absenteeism because being seated in the classroom is important. The goal was 15.7% and is actually already at 14%. The budget is projected to come out in January and there are new people overseeing the budgets.
- 2.4 CCSD District Survey Results. Presentation by Faiss staff on the results from the 2023-2024 CCSD district survey and plans for the 2024-2025 survey rollouts for students, parents and staff. The survey is open now. The parents will be emailed the survey and given opportunities at the winter concerts to fill out the survey. The students will complete the survey during classes. The student questions may have been changed this year. The discussion for this item was postponed to December's meeting.

3.0 General Discussion

3.1 Agenda planning. Discussion on ideas for future agenda items. Survey and MAPS testing results.

4.0 Information

- 4.1 Next meeting December 16, 2024 at 4pm Faiss MS library
- 5.0 Public comment period (2 minutes maximum allotted) none
- 6.0 Adjourn Meeting adjourned 5:04PM Motioned by Nichole 2nd by Jessica