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# School Council Meeting Minutes

October 24, 2017

1. Call to order

Mr. Blevins called to order the meeting of the Austin Road Elementary School (ARE) Council at 7:11am on October 24, 2017, at Austin Road Elementary. The council viewed an inspirational video “Third Grade Dropout.”

1. Roll call

The following persons were present:

* Christian Mosely Bryant (Parent)
* Stephen Butterfield (Business Representative)
* Kelly Allen (Teacher)
* Jeremy Sellers (Teacher)
* Arthur Blevins (Principal)

*ABSENT:*

* *Ashley Sellers (Parent)*

1. Old Business

* *Reading and approving of the school council meeting minutes*
  + Mr. Blevins reviewed last year’s school council goals. The committee’s goals included providing a centralized hub for parent information and to increase parent involvement within the school.

1. New Business

* Welcome New Members: introduced the council.
* Review Bylaws and Code of Ethics, Child Abuse Protocols, Roles and Responsibilities of School Council.
  + School Council bylaws were reviewed using technology through a PollEV.com quiz
* Select Chair, Co-Chair, and Secretary
  + This selection has been tabled until all school council seats are filled. A second election will have to be held to fill two more parent slots.
* Next Election for Current Vacancy
  + The school will host a second election for two more parent slots. The office will send out pertinent information to parents.
* Meeting Dates
  + Any changes in meeting dates must be publicly made in advance through the Henry Herald.
  + Mr. Blevins will send out a Google Forms document regarding each members’ preference for meeting day and times.

1. Principal’s Report

* HCS Fast Facts sheet
  + Provided information to council members about the school
* *Staffing*
  + The school is functioning at full staff, with the exception of one Exceptional Ed paraprofessional position. This position has been filled by a long-term substitute for the remainder of the year.
* School Improvement Goals
  + Mr. Blevins shared the School Improvement Plan Goals with the council. He explained that these goals were determined by the school in correlation to the 2016-2017 Milestones data.
  + The School Improvement Plan can be found on the school website. This includes the goals and action steps the school will take to meet the goals.
* PBIS
  + A.R.E. is a Positive Behavior Intervention and Support School. Our school uses positive behavior to motivate students.
  + The school has created a game room to reward students’ positive behavior. We are asking for donations to help the game room get more materials for students to use.
* Big 7 Behavior Report
  + Look at SWIS data to better understand the behavior referrals within the school. Data is used to help administration and teachers understand referrals by month, behavior type, location, time, student, grade level, and day.
* Free and Reduced Lunch Status
  + Austin Road Elementary is serving students with a 72.19% Free/Reduced Lunch Rate. Council members received comparison data among other HCS schools.
* Personalized Learning Application Process
  + Mr. Blevins explained personalized learning for council members. The council reviewed the cohort 19 process overview and timeline.
  + A.R.E. will be submitting the application at the end of October. Mr. Herman is leading a personalized learning committee within the school.

Reviewed upcoming School Events

1. Adjournment

Mr. Blevins adjourned the meeting at 8:21 am.

Minutes submitted by: Kelly Allen; October 28, 2017.