

Meetings minutes SMPO – October 16, 2018

Attendance:

Rudder Mbrs: Krystan Kraille, Joie Linser, Melissa Volck, Natalie Butcher, Samantha Devries, Andi Curry, Margo Smith-Joseph, Carrie Petts, Priya Rolfes, Raj Shah, Kelly Crantford, Jen Robbins, Rachel Danhires, Chris Vockell, José Pedro do Amaral, Caitlin LaVine, Sarah Fullen, Lisa Bowden, and Tara Brock.

Others: Michelle Durban, Nikki Marksberry, Bran Vickers, Emily McNicholas, Elizabeth Johnson, Suzanna Lee, Samantha Diawara, and Sarah Wartman-Reddy

Welcome and call to order –

Meeting called to order: 7:05 pm by President Krystan Krailler

Meeting closed: 8:30pm

Nikki Marksberry – There is a new free little library in front of the school. Colleen Nobel is in charge of running it.

Nikki is connecting to local groups. Cincinnati Youth Collaborative(CYC) had 5 mentors that are paired up with 6th graders.

Principle Report- Dr. Elizabeth Johnson

Current enrollment is 710

2 students moved out of state

This morning, we had our First Student Bus Safety assembly for K-3 students.

Once a month, 9-12 students participate in a POD Day that focused on Montessori Human Tendencies. Each teacher selected one such as "repetition" and planned a lesson around it. By the time the year ends, students will have rotated through 7 or so Human Tendencies. This is then connected at the end of the year through our Leadership Ceremony where 6th grade classes pass the sashes of leadership to the 5th grade classes.

Our partnership with the Literacy Network has expanded. In addition to their free before school literacy support for first and second graders who have scored "not on track" on Fall MAP and DIBELS literacy assessments, they will be installing a free Little Library in front of the school. Little Libraries exist across the city to encourage reading in the home environment allowing free, easy access to books. Colleen Noble, our enrichment teacher, and her students will monitor and stock the library so that all community members will have access.

Gold Star Chili partnered with Sands Montessori to host our first monthly fundraiser. Brian, the General Manager, reported that the participation from the Sands community was beyond his expectations. Twenty percent of the proceeds from 3-9p.m. will be donated to the school. This

fundraiser will take place monthly on the first Tuesday. Proceeds will benefit academic programs at Sands.

Gold Star Chili has also partnered with Sands Montessori to motivate students to practice good attendance. The organization has donated two ipads to be raffled for students with perfect attendance at the end of the year.

Our Community Coordinator five mentors who will each be working with a 9-12 student.

Peoples East donated two fig trees to replace tree in the lunchroom courtyard that was lost in a storm this summer.

We had a great turnout at Open House on September 13, 2018.

SMPO is preparing for the Fall Carnival on Saturday, October 27, 2018. We are in need of volunteers.

Sands Montessori was one of three school selected to participate in the OTR Film Festival Education Program located at the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center on September 28, 2018. Students watched several films and engaged in thoughtful discussions afterwards with the directors.

Ms. Toebbe, Dr. Elizabeth, and a teacher level from attended Fuel Up to Play a professional meeting sponsored by the American Dairy Association to promote healthy eating and an active lifestyle. The team is working to share strategies with their teams that will enhance the health of students across our school.

Sands teaches participated in the second session of professional development with the Cincinnati Vermont Math Institute on September 17, 2018. Teachers learned and practiced strategies for math modeling and reasoning. Teachers continued this collaboration during team meetings this month.

At our October staff meeting, teachers received training for test administration of the fall Third Grade Ohio State ELA Test as well as preparation for the upcoming Readiness Assessments that will be administered three times each year to monitor student achievement in 3rd Mathematics, 4th Mathematics and ELA, 5th Mathematics, ELA and Science, and 6th Mathematics and ELA. These assessments will that provide the same tech-enhanced items that students will be seeing on the spring OST.

Ten different fall enrichment classes sponsored by Sands Montessori Parent Organization have begun for our students.

End of the third quarter is Friday, October 11th. Conferences are Thursday, October 18th and 25th.

Committee Updates:

- Committees met in September to elect a chair and review their purpose/work. Updates will be shared at our next meeting.

Innovation/Rigor - Seeks to ensure that Sands is offering diverse learning opportunities that enable students to be challenged academically, to engage in their interests, and to prepare them for the real world; promotes a culture with high levels of learning for all.

- working to ensure that technology is available to be integrated into all classrooms. Two staff members will be responsible for ensuring that laptop carts are checked in and charged properly every night. The team also provided training for staff on laptop carts. We currently have 9 laptop carts. Three carts are allocated to 6th grade. We are in need to three more to overcome current challenges.

Positive School Culture - actively promotes a positive school environment for staff, students, parents, and the greater community; positively promotes diversity; builds community partnerships to increase student learning; seeks to promote consistency; defines and promotes the essence of what makes Sands stand apart as a school of choice

PBIS - Plans and implements school wide positive behavior intervention systems to help students display positive behavior and succeed in school

Social Committee and Communication - Collaborates with SMPO, administration, and staff to ensure timely, effective, consistent communication; promotes positive two-way communication with SMPO and greater community to best support our students. Works to promote positive engagement with the staff.

One Plan

- Survey Completed with ILT

Target goals:

B10 The ILT/TBT evaluates the impact of the focused plan.

Developing - Made substantial progress toward closing the achievement gap for all subgroups.

Goal: meet all subgroup goals

B11 The ILT/TBT engages the community in continuous improvement.

Developing - The community is engaged in the goal identification process.

Goal: develop partnerships and engage the community on ILT process/ goals.

Section 2: School Summary

Subgroups: 14% African American
 10.8% Students with Disabilities
 20.2% Economically Disadvantaged
 9.7% Multi-Racial
 71.6% White
 2 % Asian or Pacific Highlander

School Structures for Teacher Collaboration:

Teacher Based Teams - 45 min. Week
 Common Planning - 45 min. Day
 Learning Teams - 90 min. 4 Times/Year
 ILT - 120 min. (Two 60 min. meetings) per month
 5 Step Process Data Meetings - 90 min (45 min each, ELA & Math) per month
 Vertical Instructional Meetings - 60 min. Most months

Section 3: Needs Assessment & Schoolwide Reform Strategies
 Math

Strategy 1.4: (Integration of Tools and Technology) Implement and monitor the Integration of relevant mathematical tools and technology as essential resources to help students learn and make sense of mathematical ideas, reason mathematically, communicate their mathematical thinking and or create products.

Action Steps	Resources Needed: PD/Materials/Tech	Person(s) Responsible/group(s)	Monitoring Evidence	Implementation Timeline/Progress	Possible Barriers
Integrate Technology	Technology Integration PD - (PearDeck, Document Camera, Ebeam) with Mathematical Models and Error Analysis	Traci Cummings, Kris Spurgeon, Elizabeth Johnson, Tracie Ross, Dr. Lori Cargile, all teachers	PD and Usage, Discuss in Data Meeting	February	One to one technology Time Reliability of technology Challenges with PearDeck (little experience)

- How might we engage the community identify strategies to increase our technology resources for students at Sands Montessori?

ELA

3	Reading	K-3	2018 Not on Track Students: Kdg 23 1st gr 17 2nd gr 7 3rd gr 9
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- How might we engage the community to identify strategies to increase our volunteer base Sands Montessori to help close the gap of Not on Track students K-3?

Section 4: Nonacademic Schoolwide Reform Strategies

- Attendance / Discipline data (supports)
- Trauma, PBIS, Anti-Bullying
- Engage Community to support safe, family friendly learning environments

Section 5: PD

- CVMI - staff voted, 3 PD days
- Positive Discipline
- Montessori
- Character Strengths

Section 6: Coordination of State & Federal Programs

Section 7 - AMOs (per report card)

Section 8 - K-3 Literacy

Section 9 - Transition Plan

Section 10 - OIP 5 Step Process

Section 11 Family Partnership Plan

Section 12 : Monitoring

Section 13: School Budget

Officers Reports

Business Manager – Natalie Butcher

Checking Balance on Hand 9/30/18 -- \$32,227.94

Savings Balance on Hand 8/31/2018 -- \$58,023.63

Income from basketball registrations are mostly complete. Chip readers have been purchased and are ready to use for Carnival and other events.

Expenditures this month went out for reimbursement for direct classroom support, SEP scholarships, field trip buses/ guest speakers, regular subscriptions and some office supplies.

Donations for the ETFD currently total \$675.00. Carnival sponsorship donations are arriving daily, and ticket and split the pot raffle ticket sales have also started. We are in need/ borrow 2-3 iPads to help us run the Carnival efficiently. Please see me for a list of compatible devices.

Fundraising – Holly Fritz not present

Emily McNicholas is the carnival chair. Still need volunteers, bake goods and two liters.

Parent at large – Carrie Petts

Grandparents day on December 7th.

STEM night is November 15th.

Parent Liaisons – Priya Rolfes and Raj Shah

October 18th Gold Star is providing food for parent teacher conference and People East Church will provide deserts. The next parent teacher conferences will be March 7th and 14th and will need 45 to 50 meals.

SEP – Jen Robbins and Rachel Danhires

All programs are up and running. So far, they are under budgets for scholarships. On target for budget. Hoping to have spring SEP set up by December 1st and will start the 2 or 3 week in January. They hope to plan the fall SEP in the spring so ready to go when school starts.

Communications – Andi Curry

Need new information by Monday at 6 pm and will send out email Tuesday or Wednesday.

Please email to smpocommunications@gmail.com

Please like any news on Facebook and share.

Carnival is the largest fundraiser and is October 27th.

Volunteer Coordinator- Kelly Crantford

Please fill our volunteer form if you have not. If you need volunteers for an event let Kelly know.

Athletics Coordinator – Chris Vockell

Fall Soccer is coming to an end. There are makeup games due to the weather.

Basketball has 127 students registered that is 20% of the school, 15 teams. There is no 6th grade girl team. Preview night is open up to all to come and watch. They charge the adults admission and half of the money goes to the basketball program and the other half go to the principle fund.

Technology – Pedro Souza

When parent register for SEP they receive an email but google only allows 25 a day for free and for 29 dollars for email subscription. He has made changes to the carnival and has hide the email address.

Teacher Rep – 3-6 Caitlin LaVine

Met with Tara Brock to discuss sensory path and sent information to Rachel.

The team is concerned about the reading needs of the children in 3 to 6. Vicky meets with them for reading support but is unable to meet with all the children who need support. Therese Holt is willing to tutor the students who need support. She will tutor then in Orton Gillingham. She charges 25 dollars an hour. They want to know if SMPO can help with this need. They will get an estimate to bring to the next meeting.

Teacher Rep – 6-9 Sarah Fullen

Reminder to have parents email teacher in the morning if their child will be out and need to be fever free, no vomiting or diarrhea for 24 hours before returning to school.

Teacher Rep – 9-12 Lisa Bowden

Doing well.

LSDMC – Tara

LSDMC (Local School, Decision Making Committee) meets the 2nd of the month at 4. Met last week and reviewed 1plan. It is a long process to figure out how to meet the goals that the district sets for the school. They look at the barriers around the goals and what they need to do to achieve them. David Brenner has resigned. There is one parent who is interested in filling his position.

ILT- No one present

The next meeting is 10-17-18.

Old Business

Approved September minutes

New Business

Move the November meeting from November 20th to November 13th.

Montessori Coalition was very informative. In 2019 Sands will have it 40th anniversary and the coalition would like to plan a celebration next August.

Meeting closed at 8:30 pm