



SLT Meeting Minutes | September 16, 2016 | 6:00 pm

ATTENDANCE:

Cotswold Staff

Alicia Hash, Principal
Kurt Fruendt, Assistant Principal
Kristin VanStratt
Stephanie Doyle
Megan Pilar
Christine Tatarka
Barb Helm

SLT Members

Allen Robinson
Lecil Sullivan
Laura Fahrney
Patty Drummond
Susie Groves
Linda Kroha
Rashidah Morgan
Sean Paone
Jennifer Taylor

Called to order at 6:04 pm

Welcome and Introductions by SLT Chair, Allen Robinson

Alicia Hash, Principal Update

- 815 students enrolled, projected was 850; pleased with population size

- EOG and results from 2015-2016 school year
 - Demographics have remained relatively consistent over last several years
 - Cotswold has been awarded a B Grade
 - Large contributor to the grade is growth
 - Break-out groups and discussion led by Ms. Hash reviewing EOG data and results from 2015-16 school year
 - This is the first year Cotswold broke 70% for Math in any grade
 - Focus on 3rd grade (first year of EOGs) with the following programs, among others:
 - 1st year for NorthStar (25 third graders had NorthStar tutors); plan is for these tutors to continue on with same students through 4th and 5th grades
 - Established an after school tutorial program for identified 3rd grade students in need of extra support

- Cotswold School Improvement Plan (SIP) review; the SIP was distributed to SLT members prior to meeting for review; breakout groups discussed each goal during meeting led by Ms. Hash
 - Programs in place to create a safe and bully-free environment (Title IX):
 - Essential 20 has been clearly communicated school wide; teachers commented that these set the right tone and consistency
 - New playground set-up (achieve 225) been very positive
 - Addressed questions regarding environment on busses and practices in place at Cotswold; bus drivers look to assistant principal and other administrators; teacher comment that issues have been addressed swiftly
 - Discussed programs related to literacy and math goals
 - Balanced Literacy
 - Cougars Call (additional 45 minutes of reading workshop)
 - Ability grouping: 3-5th grade
 - Discussed goals and programs in place related to bridging the achievement gap of African-American, LEP, Hispanic and economically disadvantaged students
 - Discussed increasing the goal from 10% to 15% or 20% growth within this population – TBD.
 - Mentoring programs
 - Men of Cotswold
 - Best Practices at other schools
 - Discussed growth for every student
 - TD program
 - IB program

Allen Robinson, Chair – Wrap-up

- SLT Subcommittee being formed, including researching best practices at other schools within district to improve results, particularly with economically disadvantaged students
- Next meeting is on Thursday, October 27, 2016; Eric Davis

Meeting Adjourned 7:13 pm

Laura Fahrney, SLT Secretary