

Montclair SLT AGENDA and MINUTES 1-26-18

Roles: Secretary/typing minutes?

Title I--Leora

- Budget update/allocations for 18-19
 - Anticipated cuts, discussing possible changes
 - Same thing happened last year: with pre-planning, there will be few noticeable changes
 - Anticipating carry over funds
 - Lower class sizes, CMS must adjust budget (perhaps using older bond money)
- Justifications for spending: changes/data based
 - Must provide data to justify funds spent
- How can we educate parents about assessments/data used?
 - Parents have a hard time understanding the required TRC sheet.
 - Will send home the TRC sheet with an explanation sheet specific to the reading level

Title IX

- Age appropriate required lessons on kindness, anti-bullying, personal boundaries

Read Charlotte/UPD pilot--Katie and Kathryn

- Early literacy focus
 - Skills to close the achievement gap
 - Firm is working with 6 schools to learn about their literacy
 - Walkthrough last Tuesday, took notes, asked clarifying questions
 - 18 month relationship with the consulting firm beginning December 2017
 - Will create targeted action plan
- Activity--what should excellent early literacy look like?
 - Higher level work (theme, main idea)
 - Teach students take-home strategies, bookmarks with questions
 - Sentence frames with teaching points or TRC frames
- Active Reading Lab connection
 - Early literacy skills for 3-5 year olds
 - Advertise in the neighborhood
 - Will notify all parents once resources arrive
- How can we support parents?

Academic Update

- Mid-year benchmarks
 - MAP: nationally normed Math and Reading Test
 - DIBELS and TRC
- School Improvement Plan review (added Read Charlotte pilot)
- Team signed off on SIP on Q2

Upcoming Parent Activities--Iliana

- Turning Kids' Behavior into Parenting Opportunities
- Parent Square
- Homework at Home: So Much Fun
- Cyberspace Safety: Understanding Kids' Language: April 12th at 5:30
- Pending: Domestic Violence 2/20
- Summer School at Home

Miscellaneous

- Forming a PTO?
- Advertise interest meeting at dance on 2/15
- New K-2 report card
- March 24th Hike Crowders Mountain
- April 19th Family Game Night with Book Fair #2
- Health Fair TBD

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

March 16

May 11