Site Base Team Meeting-Nov. 2nd, 2015

Members present: M. Henderson (principal), N. Phelix (asst. principal), E. Johnson (curriculum), L. Williams (literacy), Y. Saxton (pre-k), A. Gordon(K), A. Adams(1st), S. Montenaro(2nd), B. Snodgrass (3rd), K. Gibson (4th), J. Buttafuoco (5th), J. Pollard (EC), K. Abeyta (asst.), D. Helms(related arts/technology), J. Fenyvas (guidance), S. Easter (parent)

I. Administration
   a. UCPS updates
      i. Dr. Ellis retiring after 38 years of service
         1. Possibly a lengthy national search
         2. Official date is June 1st; most likely will be an interim until new superintendent hired
         3. Most likely some restructuring will happen, as is commonplace
   b. Parent Compact
      i. Will email a copy to look over and approve for 2016-17
   c. Present staffing
      i. Hiring 1-2 tutors
      ii. Two coming back from maternity right before spring break
      iii. Next school year-not thinking about the who just yet; if you have changes to intent form let Henderson know
      iv. Most likely will maintain the same staffing numbers for teacher assistants next year
         1. Teacher assts. Are allotted based on K-3 student numbers
         2. Are allowed to use in 4th-5th grade; will look into as need arises
            a. Will look for input from site base
   d. Calendar
      i. Beginning of school year more staff work days at beginning
      ii. Early release days added back
II. Teachers
   a. 3rd grade
      i. Can we do a day where all teachers wear their College Wear or a College shirt to promote the college pathway?
         1. Signs outside the door; wear shirts on Culture/Career Day
      ii. More time is needed to come together as a team to collaborate and communicate to effectively get things done
         1. Can use Thursdays split with data/other planning
         2. Early release
         3. Bash was brought up

    a. Not as beneficial as classroom time

    b. Pulling back; possibly using data days for bash data, then bash time could be used in the classroom

   4. Thursday data days

    a. Used for technology some

    b. Will look into using Thursdays for bash business

 b. Assts.

  i. Wasted food: is there a way that we can take the food that the kids do not eat --- bananas, apples, milk, juice, etc.--- instead of throwing it away, collecting it to send home?

   1. Can't formally organize this, because of sanitation, etc.

   2. Side note: universal free lunch (we're not high enough percentage)

  ii. Speed bumps

   1. Around corners; can we get speed bumps (portable or permanent)

   2. Will need clearance from Fire Department, etc. Henderson will look into.

  iii. STEMS

   1. Dress code slack in upper grades especially

    a. Tights and leggings instead of pants

    b. Teachers need to enforce, reminder to be sent to staff

III. Parents

 a. Car rider safety during dismissal

  i. Nothing set in place to make sure each student is picked up by someone they know

  ii. Could we have the name plate (parent and student name); could use lunch numbers

  iii. Think of something to start next school year to put in place for next year

  iv. Henderson to consult with UCPS Safety Dept.

 b. Family Movie Night: Friday, March 18th, at 6:30pm

  i. Need kindergarten chairs

  ii. Set up between 4:30-5:15

  iii. Free admission; free popcorn; free water; spirit wear, glow sticks, etc. on sale

  iv. Need volunteers

 c. Behavior Bucks is Thursday, March 10th

 d. Next PTO meeting is Monday, March 14th, 6:30pm in the cafeteria

 e. Spring fundraiser-student/teacher/parent kickball game

  i. On a Saturday

  ii. Possible concessions

         iii. Email Ms. Easter if willing
         iv. Proceeds will go toward PTO
          v. Pay to attend, concessions, etc.
         vi. Promote as a Wingate family fun day

IV.   Other
     a. April 11th next Site Base meeting