

# **Croton Elementary ~ SAC Minutes**

## **October 20, 2020**

**Members in Attendance:** Roseann Bennett, Amanda Hitchcock, Kellye Straub, Nikki Maginness, Stephanie Nadeau, Katie Torrington

**Members Absent:** Kelly O'Dell, Ruby Moran, Elizabeth Andrews, Peter Vaillancourt, Donna Lamb, Lisa Farley,

**Members in Attendance:** Patricia Jones

**Call to Order:** A meeting of the Croton Elementary School Advisory Council was held via Microsoft Teams on October 20, 2020. Meeting was called to order by SAC Chair, Amanda Hitchcock at 2:57 p.m.

### **New Business:**

**Review/adopt September SAC minutes-**Mrs. Hitchcock asked SAC for input on the September minutes. Mrs. Straub moved to accept the minutes, Dr. Bennett seconded the motion.

### **Update on October School Events-**

- a. Title I Annual Meeting- Dr. Bennett communicated that last week we held our Title I Annual Meeting virtually. This is the meeting where we share the purpose of Title I and all it entails. Mrs. Jones noted it was not very well attended. Mrs. Hitchcock stated that she attended and it was very informative. Dr. Bennett session was recorded and will be available via the website.
- b. Open House- Dr. Bennett shared that a Save the Date announcement went out for Open House. It will take place in a virtual platform. Mrs. Hitchcock explained we will have two live sessions on Thursday, October 22- one at 4:00 and one at 5:30. A BlackBoard Connect message will go out to email today and again on Thursday with all the links.
- c. Fall Into Literacy- Mrs. Jones disclosed we would have a Fall Into Literacy event on Saturday, October 31. It will be a drive thru event in car loop and parking lot. Each stop will have information on the components of reading with activities. The event is scheduled to take place 2:00-4:00.
- d. Red Ribbon Week- information sent to families via Blackboard Connect, Newsletter, and Facebook
- e. Pictures- Mrs. Straub brought up a concern that there was a sitting fee for \$13 at Dean Stewart Photography. She was told if she purchased the pictures, the sitting fee expense will be removed. Mrs. Straub wanted to know if parent chose not to pay the

sitting fee/ purchase pictures, how will students get in yearbook? Dr. Bennett said she would look into this issue and report back.

**Update from Parent Leadership Meeting-**

- a. Placed on hold until the next meeting

**Sales Surtax-**

Mrs. Hitchcock provided SAC with the information from the district regarding the Sales Surtax. All members received a summary from Mrs. Hitchcock as well as the link and flyers the district provided. Mrs. Hitchcock reiterated with SAC this was not a new tax. It was voted on six years ago. The vote this year would be a continuation. Mrs. Hitchcock was vigilant in pointing out that the School Board has been transparent about how the money was spent. She shared that the Sales Surtax is specific to Capital Outlay projects. If the tax doesn't pass and there is no money, the money gets pulled from other budgets/ departments

**Next Meeting-** November 17, 2020

Possible Agenda Items

- District Strategic Plan Review
- Parent Leadership Team Report

**Meeting Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 3:23 pm.

Submitted by Roseann Bennett