

School Improvement Team – 9/12/2016

Minutes from August, 2016 SIT meeting:

- Dr. C talked about attendance and truancy
- Dr. C said Mr. Boyce is still SIT rep
- Couch asked clarification on suspension
- Discussion of changing reps
 - Handled in October
- Clarification between SIT and dept chairs
- Worked in groups on what the SIT should be (functions, roles, etc.)
 - Norms
 - Transparency
 - More conversation

PTSA Report – Mr. Wilkes

- Kickoff Breakfast went well

Comprehensive Needs Assessment – Dr. C

- Presentation of prelim data and longer discussion at next meeting

Honor Code Updates

- District has updated policy
- First offense has changed to maximum grade of 50
- Each offense must have contact with admin and parents/guardians
- Boyce: presented packet on honor code changes
 - Code of Conduct is not always in line with JHS Honor Policy
 - Out of School Suspension no longer an option for plagiarism (and other A-level offenses)
 - Current JHS Honor Code has both A-level and B-level offenses
 - Boyce Rec: see document detailing the proposed changes regarding consequences in the Honor Policy → Revise handbook and approve at the October meeting
 - J-R?: Do we need to have students sign and return the Honor Policy?
 - Couch: question regarding the difference between plagiarism and cheating
 - Bell: impossible to discriminate cheating from plagiarism
 - Importance of emphasizing the ramifications of plagiarism and use of own work
 - Importance of the ‘culture of integrity’
 - Documents and the website versions will contain a link to the DPS policy (DPS Policy 4301)
 - **Motion to accept the revisions made to the previous policy to be in line with board policy with the revisions to the handbook to be approved at the October meeting → Seconded → Approved → Redraft with be approved over email → Site will be updated**

Calendar Voting

- Time given at tables to discuss
- Calendar A ends the school year sooner but has one fewer teacher work day and one fewer ER day

- Calendar A:
 - Pros:
 - Last day ER
 - Out 1 day early
 - Later Spring Break
 - Cons:
 - No 3Q WD
- Calendar B:
 - Pros:
 - WD at end of 3Q
 - Longer 4Q
 - SB and Easter separate
 - Cons:
 - 1 day longer
 - No ER last day
- Motion to vote on Calendar B → Passes
 - Calendar B is approved as the JHS recommendation

Should the STAC representative have a vote in the SIT → Tabled until October meeting

Dr. C. closing comments

- CNA data to be shared next meeting
- Copier problems need to be addressed → Motion to adjourn and discuss next meeting
- Motion to table nominations until the next meeting
- 6:34 motion to adjourn