Collaborative School Committee Meeting Minutes 9/17

Time of Meeting: 6:00pm

Location: DSST: Cedar

Members Present:

Elin Curry, Meg Walling, Mika Gans, Darian Little, Eliana Bocanera, Tika R, Dana C, Josefina G, Maya M, Patrick W, Lisa C, Sarah C, Mark L, Jordan S, Suzy P, Courtney R, Stephen F, Edelina B, Tarryn W, Adriana W, Joe C, Ana R.

- Members introduced themselves
- School Director reviewed Expectations for CSC meetings
- Group set meeting norms and had an Overview of What a Collaborative School Committee is
 - The purpose of the CSC is explained, highlighting its collaborative nature and the importance of family, staff, and community involvement.
 - Discussed the CSC's role in supporting student achievement and school performance, and the importance of community engagement.
 - CSC's responsibilities include budget input, school safety and discipline procedures, and providing feedback on school operations.
- Reviewed Board Roles and Responsibilities
 - Importance of representation from all grade levels and the need for specific roles and responsibilities are highlighted.
 - Discussed the potential for grade-level parent meetups and other community-building activities to foster connections among families.
 - Need for continued attendance at meetings and the importance of parent voices in decision-making are emphasized.
- Data Highlights for Middle School are Reviewed
 - The school's performance on the CMA standardized assessments is highlighted,
 with the school ranking first in English and second in math at the network level.
 - The importance of growth data over proficiency data is explained, and the school's median growth percentile scores are shared.
 - Key metrics included 66.5 MGP for PB2, 68 MGP for PB1, and 79 MGP for PB3 in sixth grade math.
 - Special education students outperformed non-designated students across grades.
 - High school achieved top rankings in DPS for combined PSAT scores, with a
 91st percentile growth in math
 - Multilingual students showed strong growth from seventh to sixth grade, and students of color performed on par with white students in all three grades in English.
- Data Highlights for Middle School are Reviewed

- High school was number one in DPS for combined PSAT scores, number one in math, and number six in English
- The school is the number one high school in the state for black students in combined PSAT scores in 11th grade.
- High school math team had a wild MGP, with three teachers achieving 91 MGP, meaning students grew more than 91% of kids nationally.
- English is the focus for high school this year, with staffing shifts to drive student outcomes.

Schedule Changes CSC Input

- CSC members and parents partake in a survey that is urging middle school parents to provide input on the proposed schedule changes.
- The potential change is motivated by aligning with DPS
- Members discuss concerns about the potential negative impact on the unique educational environment of the school

Closing Remarks and Next Steps

- Invite parents to complete the survey and provide feedback on proposed schedule changes
- Thanks CSC members for their participation and excitement for future meetings
- The meeting concludes with a reminder of the importance of parental input and the school's commitment to continuous improvement.