

School Accountability Committee Meeting Minutes 10/15/2020

Location: Clifton Elementary School 3276 F. Road, Clifton, CO 81520 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Members: Jeff Spaletta-Principal, Sara Miller-Family Center Coordinator, Amy Escamilla-Teacher, Anne Kelley-Teacher, Shannan Vialpando-Librarian, Jeff Gentry-Community Member, Danielle Gentry-PTO President, Lisa McCullough-Parent, Martha Reynolds-Parent, Kelcee Bland-Parent

Not Present: Martha Reynolds-Parent

Introductions

Looking for a voice from the community. It is important to have feedback loops from the community to ensure accountability and positive outcomes for Clifton Elementary.

Lisa McCullough has agreed to be the chairperson for the SAC committee.

Bylaws

Reviewed the bylaws with the committee members. There were no requests to change anything written in the bylaws.

School Priorities

The school's priority is to move students to grade level achievement. Clifton Elementary is 4% away from a performance rating based on the 2019 CDE Performance Frameworks. Several structures are being implemented to help us move students to grade level achievement:

- New curriculum (Bridges, EL)
- Walk-Throughs/Visibility in classrooms
- Structured professional learning
- 2019 CMAS Scores

2019 scores were discussed with the committee. 60-80% of students are performing below grade level. The plan is to move students' achievement up.

NIC Work

The focus of the NIC team is mathematics. The NIC team is working on using walkthroughs as a tool to gather data from classrooms.

Unified Improvement Plan Clifton is using the UIP to guide our instruction. PDSA is part of the UIP planning process.

Budget

The Title 1 budget will be used to help implement practices aimed at closing the achievement gap. The committee reviewed the Title I budget for Clifton Elementary.

Parent and Family Engagement Policy This policy went home this year to inform parents and was approved by the board.

Miscellaneous Items:

Attendance Committee

New this year. The committee meets weekly to discuss student attendance issues and implement measures to improve attendance.

Library Project

Clifton Elementary staff and students are excited to give the library updates and make it into a multifunctional space including a makerspace. The updates will include new furniture, paint, carpet, and technology such as ipads, chromebooks, 3-D printer, and an aqueous board. Creating this environment will provide the most for our student learning and give them areas to read comfortably. The total cost for this project is \$ 59,187.58. The school, PTO and community will be partnering with Academy Mortgage to put the library project in motion.

Lighted sign fundraiser

The outdoor sign at Clifton Elementary needs an update! This will allow for parents and community members to stay informed on important

information. The sign will display images and text and will be able to be programed from inside the building. The cost for the lighted sign, not including electrical hookups is approximately \$25,000.

Website updates

The website will be improved to be more user friendly to parents, students, community members, and staff. This update will include a video on the home screen displaying what a typical day at Clifton Elementary looks like as well as snippets of interviews from parents, staff, students, and administrators. This allows our website to be more agile in presenting current information and will allow for easier navigation.

Staff break room/blue hall flex room updates

The staff break room and blue hall flex room (meeting room) will be getting updated with new furniture including mobile hex tables with wheels making it simple to arrange for any size meeting, a podium/media station, book shelf, chairs, dry erase board, and smart TV. The total cost of this project is \$ 14,293.49

Quarterly Academic Assembly

The "North Star Assembly" took place this morning and was a huge success. Perfect attendance awards were presented to 54 students. 38 North Star awards along with 8 brand new bikes including helmets and bike locks were presented to students along with t-shirts and medals.