Sullivan Middle IB 1825 Eden Terrace, Rock Hill South Carolina 29730

School Improvement Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 21, 2020 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. Conference room

Members Present:

Kelly Scott, SIC Chair; Juan Roldan, School Principal; Holly Stuart, teacher; Darlene DelVecchio, Transformational Coach; Donna Mack, teacher; Laura Lawson, parent; Mark Shumpert, parent; Alan Soto, parent. Mrs. Kelly Scott called the meeting to order to discuss the following agenda:

Last month's meeting notes were approved.

Julia Beatty- CFEC Liaison asked our group to form small discussion groups and then assigned us this question to answer with each group. Name a top family engagement goal for our group to attempt to accomplish.

Mr. Roldan and Faculty, Student Life, Athletics update:

Mr. Roldan updated us on the poverty simulation that took place for the faculty and staff in January. Faculty and Staff were engaged and learned several applicable things about what is it like to be in poverty and live day to day with little resources or help. This gives them perspective when interacting with students who might possibly come from a less than desirable financial background or who has a family that is temporarily struggling with financial issues. Kelly Scott is going to ask Pastor Jeff from OBC, whose church provided several volunteers for this exercise, if he can come and do a follow up presentation about the Pathways Organization. Pathways Organization is a one-stop location for many agencies to be in the same location to help those in need within our community.

Student Life -The students have had a couple of assemblies about character building and making good decisions and consequences of our decisions. –The hope is that this will have a positive impact on their classroom and school behavior as well as at home.

Academics- Quarter 3 is super important for focusing on student growth in every content area. Our IB, Transformational Coach and Interventionists are working directly with the students and PLC's to impact our growth goals. Tutors have been working with our students as well.

Athletics-There is some upcoming spring sports athletic tryout info on the website.

Health and Wellness:Kelly Scott brought up topic of a health and wellness initiative for the faculty and staff for second semester. Mr. Roldan talked briefly again about how the Mental health presentation for faculty was a success back in November and as a follow up, SIC community member Dr. Dave Vawter mentioned that Winthrop University offers free counseling services to families/students in our Rock Hill community. Our SIC will put something in the next school

newsletter about this free service. Kelly is going to talk to Nurse Sadie Kirell at District office about a health wellness/fitness activity for our faculty and staff to participate in.

PTA report: PTA update from Laura Lawson included that PTA would like to use some funds to do something specific and engaging for students. SIC threw out idea of a school dance. Laura was going to check with Guidance and AP's about when and how this might be accomplished and any other ideas the school or student council might have about doing something specifically for students in $2^{\rm nd}$ semester. The last spirit wear sale is going on through February $14^{\rm th}$. There will be a teacher appreciation fruit and dessert treats in February and a teacher appreciation lunch/snack provided in March.

Next meeting is February 18, 2020, 5:30-6:30pm. Meeting adjourned.