

Beebe School Site Council

Meeting Minutes

September 28, 2022

5:00 PM

Location: Zoom

Roll Call of Members: Staci Rubin, Rosalie Norris, Elizabeth Paulsen Tonogbanua, Christopher Fitzpatrick, Christina Cunningham, Yihua (Eva) Jiang, Sherri Jackson and Kari-ann Murphy

Present: Staci Rubin, Elizabeth Paulsen Tonogbanus, Christopher Fitzpatrick, Christina Cunningham, Yihua (Eva) Jiang, Sherri Jackson and Kari-ann Murphy

Absent: Rosalie Norris

Guests: NA

Social-Emotional Update

- This year the schedule provides opportunities for community circles each day.
- Each week there is a time period set aside for SEL lessons
- District has purchased a new curriculum, Caring Schools. Staff can expect training in January.
- A fair number of Beebe staff and administrators have participated in Restorative Practice training for tier 1 and tier 2. Tier 3 training should be coming by spring/summer of 2023
- We are looking for educational resources to help support our Language Learners and better support & facilitate communication with their peers in this process.
 - RTT is great when conferencing 1 on 1 or with a parent but often falls short when conducting peer mediations with multiple people.
 - In-person translators have to be booked and are not available the same day
 - District does have multilingual staff but they are assigned at the Welcome center and do not dispatch for student communication.
 - Beebe's multilingual staff would have to miss their own classes to translate so the school works to keep this to only emergency or urgent situations
 - SSC would like to collectively advocate for in-district translators.

Mental Health Support and School Counselors

- SSC is looking for reasons for the K-4 guidance counselor position being cut following a pandemic. The position was cut due to budgetary constraints. The position was not a grant funded position. Initially, since the grant had run out the fourth mental health support positions at all schools were cut. Some schools had their fourth position put back into the budget as social workers. Beebe was not one of those schools.
- Letter was sent to the central office and there has been no response as yet.
- SSC would like to collectively advocate for the position

Parent and Community Engagement Opportunities

- Summer collaboration with PTO resulted in a volunteer survey but it has not made it home yet.
- The Principal will send the survey in the Peek of the week and post it on the Principal's Page. class Dojo and Facebook.
- The Principal will also include something in the Peek of the Week regarding the noticeable reduction of paper going home as the district moves towards more electronic communication to facilitate easier translations

PTO-School Site Council Collaboration Next Steps

- SSC members will reach out to PTO to see if they received the translations and if so the status of the paper surveys going home.