Beebe School Site Council

Meeting Minutes November 01, 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: Sherri Jackson, Dr. Tonogbanua, Ms. Rubin, Ms. Cunningham, Dr. Murphy, Ms. Jiang, Rosalie Norris, Chris Fitzpatrick

Absent:

<u>Guests</u>: Ms. Jackson-Mead, Mr. Penny, Ms. Akiko, Dr. Noriega-Murphy, Mr. Eggleston, Dr. Jain, Ms. Marsden, & Ms. MacDonald

- 1) Mental Health Support for students in K-4
- This special meeting of the Beebe school site council was held in response to the letter sent to Superintendent Noriega Murphy regarding the lack of K-4 mental health support at the Beebe. The letter was also read at the October school committee meeting.
- The school site council felt that the K-4 students needed more than two days a week of support for social-emotional learning and student mental health support.
- Superintendent Noriega-Murphy shared the current MTSS multi-tier supports that are in place in schools to prevent behaviors before they escalate. Dr. Noriega-Murphy shared there was a new social-emotional curriculum purchased by the district that staff would be trained on in January. Malden also has a partnership with Eliot services for student crisis.
- Ms. MacDonald shared restorative practice training is well underway for staff.
- Parents shared their concerns about the lack of relationships between students and someone who was only there part-time.
- Parents also asked for a mental health screener to be done at the school.
 - Without specific staff to administer the assessment.it is not feasible at this time.

- Students have a higher need for mental health support than before.
- Other K-8 schools have 4 or more staff to support whereas Beebe has 3.
- Superintendent is committed to supporting all students' mental health and will continue to work towards finding ways to support our students.