

Beebe School Site Council

Meeting Minutes

May 22, 2024

5:00 PM

Location: Zoom

Roll Call of Members: Staci Rubin, Rosalie Norris, Elizabeth Paulsen Tonogbanua, Christopher Fitzpatrick, Christina Cunningham, Yihua (Eva) Jiang, and Kari-ann Murphy, Erin Chiesa, Tiffany Ciccarelli-Moore

Present: Ms. Rubin, Dr. Murphy, Kari-ann Murphy, Eva Jiang, Katherine Tarca, Elizabeth Paulsen Tonogbanua

School Improvement Plan edits and next steps

The recommended edits made by site council members were all incorporated into the SIP. Timelines for measures of success were clarified. Concerns over the attendance goal were discussed. Since Beebe's attendance rate is higher than the average and our chronic absenteeism is below the state's benchmark it makes sense to focus on Hanover survey results.

Class configurations for incoming 6th graders

Grade six will have four homerooms next year as will grade five. Grade 2 will go back to five homerooms. Students in grade five will swap classes. One teacher will teach math and science while the other teacher will teach ELA and history.

Site council recommended sending a notification to next year's parents letting them know about the switch.

Discuss progress of cultural heritage events

Site council discussed the cut made to the language position at Beebe. Despite assurances that Beebe would have an opportunity to hire other language instructors the determination was made to narrow that scope to Spanish only to maintain consistency across the K-8s. This was upsetting due to the multiple conversations we had with a variety of stakeholders. Council will follow up with the school committee.

Grade levels have all begun working on their culture calendars for next year. We

hope to merge them into 1 larger school-wide resource.

Next steps on health curriculum update request

No new information on the curriculum. The council did discuss students' fears over data and their scores reflecting poorly on their teachers. The school will be sure to address this with students and provide additional resources to staff.