

School Accountability Meeting Minutes

School Name: Summit Elementary School

Date: December 6, 2022

Time: 5:00 – 6:43pm

Place: Summit Conference Room

AGENDA

- 1) Call to Order
- 2) Welcome
- 3) Agenda Review
- 4) Committee Establishment
 - a) Chair – voted on Nick
 - a) Secretary – voted on Jen Yakel
 - b) All members will be given a district email to communicate with
 - a) Norms (Members, Guests)
 - i) Members Norms: reviewed and accepted, refer to “Appendix E: Sample Member Norms”
 - ii) Guests: decided to allow a period at the beginning of meeting for guests to comment if they desire within approx. 2 minutes; will be after the “Welcome” time
- 2) Standing Items: Quick updates
 - a) Community Engagement
 - i) District Calendar Feedback – Handouts given to help with discussion by Principal Rexford
 - ii) Reviewed feedback on Issue 1: Start and End of the School Year
 - (1) Calendar count is the same for both options
 - (2) Feedback for A: as get out early and adds more days for the first half of year. Some like being done for Memorial Day weekend.
 - (3) Other input was for B, as feels early in August to begin, and is about what we’ve done already. Pushes things earlier for school prep and registration too. Weather for final summer break activities is nicer too, as families take vacations. In addition, August is hotter and there are no AC units on campus.
 - (4) According to the Parent Survey Results, the results were almost half and half: 40.2% Option A, 44% Option B and 15.8% no preference.
 - (5) Effects testing days too and pushes them back, as need a 3-week window.
 - (6) This year the calendar ends June 1st and staff on June 2nd. Perhaps keep it similar as consensus was about 50/50. Option A school starts on Friday, potential for many missing that day. Option B gives a few days to stagger it out and ease into the beginning.
 - (7) Consensus was for B by the group.
 - iii) Reviewed Issue 2: Winter Break (~11 days & 3 weekends for staff)
 - (1) Option A: Late to Break/Late to Return
 - (a) Survey Results almost 50/50 but appeared to lean more towards this option

- (2) Option B: Early to Break/Early to Return
 - (a) Gives a day after New Years to resume, also pushes mid-year testing earlier and shortens first semester
- iv) Reviewed Issue 3: Breaks
 - (1) Option A: Full week off October & February, plus a 5-day weekend in April (Current Calendar)
 - (2) Option B: Long weekends primarily tied to holidays
 - (3) Option C: Combo
 - (4) Seems to be more in favor for Option A. Consensus in meeting of A as well, voted in favor
- i) Superintendent Hire Input to DAC Representative(s)
 - (1) Discussion of this:
 - (a) Interims have been serving since ~ July 25th, Board posted for a new superintendent as of 11/17-29. They've had prelim interviews and will announce the finalists, who will be known for 3 weeks, our input helps with this decision-making process. Will begin in January on a limited contract, almost as a trial period.
 - (b) DAC members were told they can ask questions during interview process.
 - (c) Feedback from our group is for additional feedback on interview process
 - (d) Some qualifications discussed:
 - (i) Qualified/licensed, work as teacher or administrator
 - (ii) Invested in the area, experience, leadership, committed to the district
 - (iii) Perhaps experience in rural setting, advocate for early childhood ed
 - (iv) Personable, communicative, knowledge of educational budgeting, etc.
 - (v) Master's degree in area of education
 - (vi) Someone who is unifying and focused on improving education of our children, who is good at conflict management, who is also transparent with what we are educating our children.
 - (e) Some questions for consideration:
 - (i) What positive qualities do previous staff share about you?
 - (ii) What suggestions do they have for working through the issues of confrontation that have presented themselves w/ current board?
- a) Safety Update
 - i) Currently do not have an SRO, as previous one left and having staffing issues. Sheriffs have been circling around and being present.
 - ii) Summit Staff is very vigilant about doors being locked, also have the raptor system with driver's license and background check.
- a) Performance Update
 - i) Beginning of year testing: Have i-Ready and good reports with the testing structure. Each elementary school had extra reading & math instruction through the program. Students and staff have done a good job with keeping the structure.
 - ii) Will continue this discussion when mid-year testing is out as well and can compare the 2 at next meeting.

- a) Budget Update
 - i) Walk-a-thon had tremendous support and helps with the students and their activities.
 - ii) Looking for some sort of building-wide field trip that comes to the school for all; will look around and possibly incorporate this.
 - iii) Discussion of how helpful Walk-a-thon is to support the budget and school.
 - iv) This discussion lumps into Principal's Report.
- 2) Principal's Report
- 3) Adjourned at 6:43 pm.