

Minutes
Morey Collaborative School Committee
January 15, 2014

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Parents: Julie George, Sheila Summers Thompson, Bart Story, Noelle DeLage

1. **Welcome:** Acknowledgements & Recognitions: discussion about recent positive achievements

2. **Principal's Report:**
 - a. Marketing Update
 - i. Conversation with Elementary School principals
 - ii. Next year: Establish deeper relationships within the DPS feeder school network. Cathy Gonzales, DPS Highly Gifted and Talented (HGT) program contact has provided a mailing address for future marketing efforts.
 - iii. "Scholars with passion in the heart of the city"
 - b. UIP Tracking Update
 - i. Teacher Leadership: Acknowledgement that Morey places high expectations on faculty
 - c. **Culture**
 - i. Culture celebrations: increase sense of belonging (high strides & HGT) 94% of respondents said their child had an adult they connected with
 - ii. Increased Positive Recognition: Implemented CIA's (Caught in the Act awards) and monthly grade level celebrations where students & teachers are recognized
 - iii. Create Common Expectations: Culture, prevention, consistency
 - iv. Mid-Year Opportunities: LEAP learning environment, reinforcement of school expectations, clarity and consistency of discipline plan.
 - d. **Interim Data celebrations**
 - i. Overall 5% gain in math, 16% improvement in writing and 20% reading gain
 - ii. To what to we attribute the gains to?
 1. Implementing New Standards
 2. Data wall- used to track student performance
 3. October Data Analysis- moving forward with curriculum
 4. Successful integration of technology with collaborative strategic reading
 5. Student led conferences to "own" new standards and progress towards goals.
 - iii. Instructional Opportunities

1. LEAP teacher evaluations: 7 teachers have a rank of 5 or higher
(based on peer & administrative observations)
 - iv. Class Mastery Goals for Weekly Assessments
 - v. 8th grade Mid-Year conference and goal setting
 - vi. Communication with parents
- e. 2014-15 projections and early budget models**
- i. Next year's student enrollment projection of 540 students represents a reduction of 60 students from current enrollment, representing a 240K reduction in next year's budget
 - ii. Budget reductions will be offset in part by additional funding and scheduling efficiencies, but will likely require a reduction in administrative and teaching staff
- f. Landscape survey and conversation update. Postponed to later meeting
- g. No New Items
- h. Next meeting: Wednesday, February 19, 2013