



AG PTO General Board and Committee Mid-Year Meeting

February 24, 2022

AG multi-purpose room

Meeting called to order at 6:07pm

1. PTO mid year report: Kathy Shields/Trina Cone

- AG Fund-
 - Campaign is running in full force,
 - This week we have had tremendous success with the home room competition for students & teachers
 - Encouraged all parents to spread the word- it is not too late to donate.
 - AG Fund will stay open until March 18
- Spirit Nights-
 - Meg Thorton has done a great job as committee chair
 - Additional Spirit Nights to come
 - TCBY & Jeni's ice cream
 - Spirit Night proceeds are all "extra" money that goes directly back to the school
- Tours
 - The PTO has had lots of requests for tours
 - Yesterday one tour consisted of 30 students
 - Kathy encouraged the parents present to tell their friends of 5th graders to sign up for the tour via SignUpGenius
 - Pup Rally Day is on the calendar, details to come
 - Potential Spring Open House for rising 6th graders
- President Tidbits
 - Submit pics to social media chair
 - Bulldog Bulletin best way to find out about the school
- Staff appreciation week is coming up!
 - March 7- 11
 - Committee is collecting gift cards from amazon – check the Bulldog Bulletin for the link

2. Principal Report Mr. Darryl Conner

- Today marks day 14 of Mr Conner's tenure here at AGMS ☺
- Mr Conner has been getting to know teachers, staff and students and acclimating to AG
- AGMS has been redesignated as a 'School To Watch'
 - March 13-15 AGMS will send delegates to present at the state conference
 - Will present current protocols in place with staff and students
- AGMS will also present at the National Conference in June in DC
- Mr DeGorter Teacher of the Year
- 8:30-9a time in school day
 - Advisory time supposed to be used to complete the SEL curriculum
 - Caring Schools Curriculum
- Looking ahead to our students' path to High School



- There are lots of chances for high school students to excel – IMIB, AP, career focus, college credit their senior year with the district funding books- all very exciting
- Mr Conner is focused on preparing our AGMS students for that rigor
- One Goal to try to be the English 1 pilot program here in 8th grade
- Continuous improvement
- Mr Conner has met with 70 parent of staff to maintain the rigor and is assessing each program
- What does CORE instruction look like aligned AGMS
 - increase 10 percent of proficiency for each student
- Discipline
 - Reduce suspension rate, but maintain high expectations for behavior
 - Bullying problem here at AGMS with cell phones and pictures being uploaded to social media
 - Also have had parents FaceTime-ing students while in class
 - Safety issue of kids wearing hoods or wearing airpods
 - Mr Conner ad staff are utilizing restorative conferences, in school suspension and all means possible to discipline the behaviors before suspending students
 - Discipline data for incidents
 - 2019-2020 289 incidents total
 - 280 so far this year
- Test scores-
 - AGMS tested 85% of students last school year, some students did not take the EOGs
 - State not assigning a letter grade this year due to Covid interruptions
 - Student projections are based on 3 years of data
 - AGMS had drops in Proficiency & College and Career readiness in part due to new curriculum not formatted to match EOG
 - The projected growth for many of our students was high and many students did not meet that growth projection

Business portion of the meeting adjourned at 6:43p

Meeting was followed by Middle School Matters guest speaker, Meghan Yoho. Ms. Yoho is a licensed clinical mental health counselor with Southeast Psych. Her presentation focused on the teenage brain, with an emphasis on mental health. A big thanks to our Middle School Matters PTO chairs, Ashley Hall and Lisa Wilson, for organizing this presentation.