

Dreher School Improvement Council Meeting
Minutes
February 22, 2021

In attendance: Gloria Washington, Regina Hailey Smith, Falcia Harvey, Debbie Billings, David Wheeler, Ariella Hughes, Sheila Myers, Michelle McLeod, Kevin Kirkley, Kevin Hasinger, B-Linda Rogers

Welcome and Introduction

Meeting was called to order by Dr. Gloria Washington.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved as presented.

SIC Goals

- Dr. Washington shared that the SIC section on the Dreher web page has been updated as Ms. Thunell has uploaded the agenda and minutes from this school year's SIC meetings.
- The Parent Survey did go out in Mr. Hasinger's weekly email and can also be found under the SIC on the Dreher website as well as on the front page of the website. Mr. Hasinger noted he will embed it in his weekly email again. He will also ask Ms. Thunell to post it on all social media (Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook).
- Mr. Hasinger reviewed the results of the survey from the parents who had participated thus far. It appears the majority were freshmen parents. 70% had attended Parent/Teacher conferences. Attendance at athletic events was way down due to athletes only being given two tickets per event. The same was true for the arts.
- Most information received was through email
- There needs to be a centralized calendar that shows all events.
- In counting hours for volunteers/activities – should we do it by showing a range of hours or by event, assigning each event a certain number of hours?
- There is not a choice for "0". This needs to be added or there needs to be instructions.
- SIC members should encourage parents to complete the survey.
- SIC members should also include the amount of time dedicated to SIC.
- IGP's with counselors was mentioned as something that should be counted. At present guidance staff have already conducted 600-700 IGPs. Before the year is up that number will go over 1,100.
- Mr. Hasinger will rebroadcast survey and email data to SIC.

Principal's Report

- Spring sports have started.
- Boys and Girls soccer is off to a good start
- Tennis, baseball and track will start soon.
- There was one Covid incident – but it was not major and no teams were impacted
- A student on the wrestling team tested positive the night before a match and that match had to be forfeited.
- Fine Arts students are thriving and have excelled at local, regional and state events.
- Meaningful experiences for students and parents are very supportive.
- At this time there is no additional information for schools moving to a 4 or 5 day in school schedule.

- A mock EOC was done with encouraging results. It is unknown if EOC will be done. There will be some type of cumulative exam for quality control.
- Next year's staffing will be a challenge. The "fat" will have to be cut and as a result there could be a loss of staff members. Mr. Hasinger is asking for over \$400,000 to maintain current staffing. There is data to support the need for each staff position. The \$400,000 equates to 8 positions. Dreher is only down about 35 students which is about 2.5 teachers. This generated much discussion. Questions asked included the number of private school student who may switch back to Dreher with more days in the building. Should there be a survey sent asking how many students will be returning to Dreher. Dreher's Executive Director is being very supportive. Mr. Hasinger should have more information regarding this at the March meeting.
- Dreher SIC stands ready to support Dreher and rally community support if needed.

Fundraiser

- There was discussion regarding the selling of Dreher masks as a fundraiser to support the Dreher student with Leukemia.
- A BSN Sports representative was contacted. Masks would be \$6.50 for 50 masks and \$6.00 for 100. Most people sell them for \$12-15 per mask
- Biggest issue is collecting the money.
- Gloria will check with PTO President Jack Duncan about putting the money in the PTO Trust Fund.
- Other questions include how to generate orders and get the masks to folks who do order

New Business

- March's meeting will start with a NNPS meeting to be followed by SIC meeting
- For the March and April Agenda the School Renewal plan should be added to allow feedback.
- Staffing will also be discussed.

Motion to adjourn meeting, seconded.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is Monday, March 22 at 5:30pm