

STATON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

School Organizational Team Minutes

May 19, 2021

The Staton Elementary School Organizational Team meeting was called to order at 3:32 pm on May 19, 2021. The meeting was held virtually on Google Meets.

Members present:

- Lindsay Tomlinson – Principal
- Kim Crowe – Assistant Principal
- Robert Hollowood, Science Teacher - Chair
- Jennifer Katz, 4th Grade Teacher - Secretary
- Julie Hosea, Office Manager
- Leigh-Anne Mateyka, Parent
- Brian Cook, Parent

Members Absent:

- Shannan Ohlson, Parent

Item 2.1 The minutes from the meeting dated April 21, 2021 were presented and approved as presented. New Agenda Items were discussed as follows.

Item 3.1 Summer Learning

- June 1 - June 30th – Administration sending guidance out tomorrow 5/20, about pickup and drop off. We will send it out closer to June 1st with updated guidance. (About social distancing and masks).
- About 230 students enrolled in summer learning. We are fully staffed for all grade levels.

Item 3.2 2021 – 2022 School Year

- Same theme for next year- Anchored in Learning: Staton Sails for Excellence.
- There will be a new SOT team vote at the beginning of next year.

Item 3.3 New Grading System- Reform

- The school district needs unity in grading amongst elementary, middle, and high schools across the valley.
- Mrs. Tomlinson presents slides- “Why Grading Reform?”
- The school board needs to vote on this in July.
- Teachers will get training.
- The reform is to ensure mastery of a standard and not to just fail students.
- CCSD currently has an A-F scale. They want to give students a minimum F (50%) and an opportunity to re-test and re-test to get out of the F range.
- Questions- Mrs. Mateyka- Is this new grading plan coming from another successful story/place/district? Mrs. Tomlinson- Students are allowed to retry to show mastery. There are a lot of districts who have grading reforms. There are overall grading issues in the district. There’s a lot of work that still needs to be done with this plan. Mr. Cook- Everyone is looking at these slides on SOT. What does the district want? Mrs. Tomlinson- They just want our input and see our questions. It is going to be a lot of training to do it effectively across the district. We are not having issues with this at Staton. We are in good shape in regards to grading. Mr. Hollowood - This is definitely a hot topic across the district. Mr. Cook- This presentation is unpersuasive. They definitely need to reform this in order for them to be successful. Very confusing. Unprofessional.

Item 4.0 General Discussion

New Principal Hiring

- Questions - Mrs. Mateyka- The position goes to a principal pool, does not go to surplus.
- Meeting with Mr. Bosacker next Tuesday 5/25. The position flew Monday and it will close 5/25. Our goal is to hire pretty fast for Staton so the new principal can be trained for a couple weeks at the end of June to work with Mrs. Tomlinson here at Staton.
- Mrs. Mateyka - Do we have the questions from when we interviewed Mrs. Tomlinson to re-use for next year? Mr. Hollowood- I have the questions and can get them to the team.

Item 5.0 Public Comment

- None

Next meeting date: May 25, 2021 (Special Session for Principal Hiring)

The meeting was adjourned at 4:11pm.