



PVPV/Rawlings Elementary School

School Advisory Council

March 21, 2017 Meeting

Start: 3:15pm

End: 4:00pm

Meeting Minutes

Attended: L. Cabo, J. Nunes, E. Davis, S. Alvarez, C. Shea proxy for A. Shea, C. Whitty, T. Morris, K. Zarczynski, K. Caldwell proxy for P. Steele, Mary Beliles proxy for K. Butler, L. Brubaker, K. Barrera, V. Riegert-Johnson, H. Williams, J. Cox, C. Van Housen, R. Keene, C. Woolston, I. Zerrahn, E. McVay, F. Houston proxy for P. Wilkinson

1. Call to order- *Leslie Cabo/Jennifer Nunes*
 - a. Approve Agenda – Motion made by C. Woolston and H. Williams
 - b. Approve minutes from the February 21, 2017 meeting – Motion made by R. Keene and C. Shea
2. Presentation on Future of Education Technology Conference (FETC)- Taylor Morris
 - a. Presented on Sway – program kids can use to create presentations – has set templates so kids don't get easily distracted with the options
 - b. At the conference were programs, speakers, hands-on learning, vendors with testable product in booth
 - c. One product is the Q-ball – squishy throw able microphone ball – easy to toss around – fun interactive way to bring kids into learning – “if you've got the ball, you've got the floor” – brings out more participation – inexpensive (around \$150)
 - d. Game Based ways of Learning –
 - i. Prodigy – kids pick an avatar and work their way through a “world” – go through challenges with math questions to complete quest and be able to move to the next section of the land-teachers can load custom made standards – K- 5th grade
 - ii. Edcod's Coda Quest – subscription based – similar to Prodigy – Grades 3-9 - all games have custom ways for teachers to control content
 - iii. Zap Zap Math – app style game, also similar to Prodigy
 - e. Coding –
 - i. Code.org – free, block coding – kid friendly coding
 - ii. Code Monkey – very kid friendly – step above Code.org – takes kids to next level – children as young as 9, but can go younger
 - f. Flocabulary –

- i. Cartoon style music videos with educational focus - over 700 cross-curricular videos - comes with assessments, activities, discussions, reading passages - kids can write their own, given a beat and they come up with the words – inexpensive program – can create “own class” so teacher can track how the students are learning
- g. Microsoft Innovative Educator (MIE) Access
 - i. Teachers have access to vast collection of Microsoft Educational Technology PD Courses – we are already receiving free PD Sessions with an MIE (Feb.17 In-service Day- through Skype). Students and teachers have access to Microsoft 365 (Word, Excel, etc.) – now has Forms where teachers can create tests and quizzes
- 3. Principal Updates – *Caty Van Housen*
 - i. New Chairs in the Media Center! Bigger and more comfortable. Turtle Terrace coming along as well – little things like this will start happening all over school
 - ii. Starting to get Mimeo’s to replace Smart Boards – the are more simplistic and streamlined – software is not as user friendly, but they are compatible with the older, more user friendly software – old Smart Boards being sent to our sister school – Otis Mason
 - iii. Next week -PVPV Field Days begin, with Rawlings Field Days scheduled over the next couple of months
 - iv. FSA Testing starts again next week –school is still in need of proctors!
 - v. Book Fair begins April 3rd
 - vi. Fabulous Carnival – huge turnout with lots of community involvement
- 4. New Business
 - i. No new business
- 5. Adjournment
 - a. Motion made by V. Riegert-Johnson and J. Cox
 - L. Cabo ended the meeting.