

## **School Improvement Council**

Thursday, November 16, 2023

8:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

### **1. Introduction – Members and Guests (8 people)**

Cameron Brice – Principal

Erin MacArthur – PTA President – 3rd Grade Student

Michelle Legget- Project Host Community Partner

Bryan Hayes – Boys and Girls Club Director (KROC)

Jessica Blake – Parent (Engineering) 3rd Grade Student

Demond Criss – Program Director and Parent 5th Grade Student

Johanna Hartmann- Literacy Specialist

Katy Reid- Instructional Coach and Parent of 3rd Grade Student

### **2. SIC Goals**

- December school will receive district goals and school will make plans based on that.
- School needs: mentors our school counselor, Mrs. Cooker works with mentor Upstate. Currently have more students than mentors. Currently have 27 mentors which is more than last year.
- Mentors: AJ Whittenberg has offered training in the past. Includes eating breakfast/lunch with students of all grade levels with a focus in 2nd-5th grade.
  - Ideas: reaching out to grandparents, organizations such as UpState Circle of Friends. Jessica Blake will be looking further into options.
  - One page flier to get information out and possibly host another training.
  - Rewatch out to after school programs such as Kroc, Buncombe Street, West Greenville
- Looking at school data and demographic break down, one of the slower growing data subgroups is African American boys. How can we support? We do have programs but most that are currently going on support girls. Events like Real Men Read, Book Club, Watch DOGS, poetry slam, Boys and Girls club to lead helpful classes such as Money Matters. Use these opportunities to reach out to see if we can offer male student support. Mrs. Blake will reach out to individuals that may be interested.

### **3. Public Comment**

- Supporting families in need: programs to supply clothing, clothes etc for families
- Family or staff hosting a family or students in the past: usually clothing
- Those interested would contact Mrs. Cooker for specific information
- Try to open up to parents for needs during this time of the year if they have needs.
- Goal to work with families in this community and partner with West Greenville and Project Host. Project Host would love help- possibly host a food drive to support.

- Idea about winter dance and bring donation as part of a fundraiser, “Acts of Love” in February, bring a can to request a song at the dance.
- Governor's School coming and will be doing science experience with our students
- PTA in communication with Kroc to bring back Tennis and Swimming for students. Kroc is working on staffing to support these programs.

## **5. Adjourn**

**Next Meeting: Thursday, December 14, 2023**