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| **Bluegrass Middle School**  **SBDM Special Meeting Minutes July 31, 2012**  **9:00 am, Bluegrass Media Center** | SBDM Members:  Tracy Arflin, Teacher (present)  Teresa Martin, Teacher (present)  Jesse Floyd, Teacher (present)  Beth Root, Parent  Carol Sizemore, Parent  Michael Elmore, Principal (present) |

1. New Business
   1. Master Schedule Change.
      1. Ms. Ash presented the council with some issues concerning the master schedule. She mentioned some of the 6th grade classes were over the 29 cap at 30, 7th grade classes were over the cap of 31 at 34 and 8th grade classes were over the cap of 31 at 38 in some classes across all grade levels. The problems which caused some classes to be over loaded were the double block reading and writing classes, band, and teams. The council understood the value of teams and what the faculty wanted as to the team concept; however, having 38 in a class is not conducive to learning in any capacity. The council agreed to combine study skills and discovery classes with low numbers into one course. This will allow a teacher on one team to cross team teach another math course which will lower the ratios back down to a somewhat acceptable level of 31.
      2. The council also understood there was a strong need to go over cap in grades 6th through 8th because of the enrollment boost we are receiving from the redistricting. We expected this issue to more prevalent next year, but parents are being proactive and our enrollment projection went from 538 to 558 at the board. Currently we have 603 enrolled to show on the first day. The council is agreeing to go over cap because additional teachers are expected to be hired to help alleviate the cap size issue.
      3. The council agreed that since the issue of cap size, hiring new staff, and master schedule changes were going to need to be address again, they wanted to schedule a special meeting on Friday, August 10, 2012, Bluegrass Media Center, at 4:00 pm.
      4. Based on the discussion above the council voted to do the following:
         1. Approved to combine classes like study skills and discovery and add a core content class to lower numbers. (Motion: Mr. Floyd, second: Dr. Martin, consensus)
         2. Approved to allow cross teaming on those few classes which will be created from the combining of study skills and discovery classes. (Motion: Mr. Floyd, second: Dr. Martin, consensus)
         3. Approved to go over cap size in grades 6th through 8th keeping in mind new staff should help alleviate most all the issues. (Motion: Mr. Floyd, second: Dr. Martin, consensus)
         4. Approved to call a special meeting on Friday, May 10, 2012 at 4:00 pm. (Motion: Mr. Floyd, second: Dr. Martin, consensus)

b) Executive Session – Personnel

* + 1. Mr. Floyd made a motion to go into Executive Session for the purpose of consultation for hiring.
    2. Dr. Martin seconded the Motion.
    3. Consensus Vote
    4. Mr. Floyd made a motion to come out of Executive Session.
    5. Dr. Martin seconded the Motion.
    6. Consensus Vote

d) After consultation with the council the following individuals were hired:

1. Heidi Robles – Science 7th Grade
2. Colleen Gregg – Math/Science 6th Grade
3. Laura Crook – English 7th Grade
4. Kelly Fisher – Athletic Director
5. Aaron Evans – Assistant Football Coach
6. Adjourned (Motion: Dr. Martin and seconded by Mr. Floyd) 10:30 am