JAMES T. ALTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

**SITE BASED DECISION MAKING (SBDM) COUNCIL MEETING**

March 21, 2013

Katie Allen, facilitator, called the James T. Alton SBDM Council to order at 4:01 p.m. Members present: Katie Allen, Jama Bennett, Gerald Kuykendall, Pamela Nance-Pittman, Mark Roberts, and Ben Stewart.

**OPENING BUSINESS**

1. **#03-001.** Pamela Nance-Pittman made the motion to accept the meeting agenda, seconded by Gerald Kuykendall. Consensus

1. **#03-002**. Pamela Nance-Pittman made the motion to approve the amended minutes from the previous meeting, seconded by Katie Allen. Consensus
2. The following good news was shared with council members:
3. Our buzzer system is installed and working well.
4. Several teachers and students recently presented at the district technology showcase
5. We had a GREAT PLD with John Antonneti
6. We have officially kicked off our raffle which will end next Friday, March 29th
7. 8th grade students thoroughly enjoyed the Atlanta trip and their behavior was awesome
8. Ms. Baldwin, our G/T teacher, is taking a group of students to Frankfort to explore the legislative process
9. Our 8th grade band received a proficient performance rating and a distinguished sight reading rating at the KMEA Concert Festival

1. Public Comment

**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

1. Jama shared with council members our below grade level data (see attached). This information reflects students that were NOVICE on the winter MAP.
2. We are gearing up for our spring MAP testing which begins next week and will continue after spring break.

**PLANNING:**

Dinner of Champions, K-PREP, Schedule for 2013-14, Awards Day, Records Day

**BUDGET:**

February was reviewed with council. (Reference attached).

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. PBIS - Ben indicated that the PBIS committee will meet next week; however, February data was reviewed (see attached). Mr. Stewart indicated that the results of the student survey will be shared with council members in April.
2. Budget – Ms. Emerine shared the budget committee’s work on the proposed budget for 2013-14.

**#03-003.** Pamela Nance-Pittman made the motion to approve the proposed budget, seconded by Ben Stewart. Consensus

1. Dress Code – Discussion continued around the proposed dress code changes for 2013-14. With council members having strong feelings and opinions on this subject, Jama reiterated that we had to focus on what was best for our students. The council agreed to send a survey out to parents on Friday, March 22 and ask for feedback through March 29th. The committee will reconvene after break and review the data from the survey, make any adjustments needed, and report back to the council at our April meeting. (reference handouts)

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Section 7 – Jama reviewed the final draft of our Section 7 request. She indicated that Gary Milby asked us to include a security vestibule in our request. Rationale for all items/staffing requested were supported by the rationale. (See attachments)

**#03-004**. Katie Allen made the motion to approve the Section 7 request, seconded by Pamela Nance-Pittman. Consensus.

1. A discussion from February continued regarding allocations. Jama shared with council that a lot of decisions had to be based on some creative funding in order to keep certain positions. Discussion was held regarding the benefits of our Behavior Interventionist/Data Specialist and our reading/math coaches. Jama asked council to allow one of our teaching allocations to be converted to a Behavior Interventionist/Data Specialist and one of our assistant positions to be converted to a portion of a certified salary.

**#003-005.** Pamela Nance-Pittman made the motion to make the above changes to our allocations for 2013-14, seconded by Ben Stewart. Consensus.

1. Mr. Kuykendall indicated that he had completed his background check.

**POLICY REVIEW:**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Jama shared with council members the proposed Professional Development Plan for 2013-14. She explained that the plan was written with flexibility that would allow her to work with departments and individual teachers to meet specific needs. (see attached)

**#03-006**. Gerald Kuykendall made the motion to approve the PD Plan for 2013-14, seconded by Katie Allen. Consensus.

1. Scheduling saga continues with Mr. Roberts contacting some other schools to see how they are addressing various obstacles.

**PERSONNEL ACTION:**

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**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

1. Current enrollment: 712 Classes over Caps:

MS Math 1- 30/29 Baker, MS Math 3-33/31 Warren, 32/31 Warren, Language Arts 8- 32/31 Perry and Hart, Science 6- Pearman 30/29 and 30/29 , Gibson 30/29 and 30/29, Social Studies 6- Durrant 30/29, Yourous 30/29 and 30/29, Social Studies 8 - Stewart 32/31 and 32/31, Mahon 32/31

1. We are still receiving out of district requests and anticipate many more to be submitted during the months of May, June, and July.
2. DATE CHANGE: Next meeting date will be Tuesday, April 16, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. Pamela Nance-Pittman will serve as facilitator and Mark Roberts as resource person.
3. Personnel/Hiring:
4. Things to do before the next meeting

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**#03-007**: Pam Pittman-Nance made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:24,

seconded by Ben Stewart. Consensus