JAMES T. ALTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

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

**February 10, 2015**

Katie Allen Newton, facilitator, called the James T. Alton SBDM Council to order at 4:04 p.m. Members present: Katie Allen, Jama Bennett, David Bollinger, Ken Caldwell, Shilisa Geter, and Ben Stewart.

**OPENING BUSINESS**

1. **#02-001.** Ben Stewart made the motion to accept the amended meeting agenda, seconded by David Bollinger. Consensus.

1. **#02-002**. Ben Stewart made the motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, seconded by David Bollinger. Consensus.
2. The following good news was shared with council members:

Alton’s Robotics Team placed Top 7 in the state and this is our first year ever!

Alton had a student, Jeffery Cusimano, featured in the NE as Tuesday’s Teen

Alton had two 6th grade students win the Magnolia Bank Scholarship Contest

Mary Doxin-Kuhlman’s students recently participated in a community service project and visited North Hardin Health and Rehab for Valentine’s Day. They were also featured in the NE

Keith Geter, will be a representative to the People to People Ambassador Program

One JTA student wrestler made it to state

Alton has students performing in the PAC play, Rapunzel

**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

1. Jama reviewed additional MAP data collected with the council. We are very proud of the progress our students are making and anxious to see spring MAP scores. (Reference attached)
2. Jama shared that Hour of Power (HOP) changes were being made for third trimester as we try to focus on growth in the areas of reading and math.
3. High school counselors will be here in February/March to begin scheduling 8th graders for high school!

**PLANNING:**

 Spring activities/events are in the planning stages. This is always a very busy time of the year for all.

**BUDGET:**

 The January school and Charitable Gaming budgets were shared with council members.

 (Reference Attached)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. PBIS. Ben reviewed SWIS data with the council. Jama shared that PBIS is going to be an area of focus for next school year.

**POLICY REVIEW:**

1. The following policies were distributed for review and first reading at the February meeting: Enhancing Student Achievement, Alignment w/ State Standards, Classroom Assessment, ExtraCurricular, and School Space.
2. The following policies were distributed: Curriculum, Instructional/Non-Instructional Staff Time, Student Assignment, Program Appraisal

**PREVIOUS/ONGOING BUSINESS :**

Alton’s Grading Policy is still under discussion. Any changes made will not take place until the 2015-16 school year.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Alton’s PD Plan for 2015-16 was shared, reviewed and discussed. Teachers had input in 12 of the hours based on individual/departmental needs.

**#02-003:** Ben Stewart made the motion to approved the 2015-16 PD Plan, seconded by Katie Allen Newton. Consensus.

1. Jama shared with council members that the SBDM Needs list will be shared/discussed at the next meeting. In addition, allocations will be reviewed.

**PERSONNEL ACTION:**

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/INFORMATION:**

1. Enrollment: 6th: 222, 7th: 235, 8th: 217 Total: 674
2. Next meeting date will be Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. Ken Caldwell will serve as facilitator and Ben Stewart as resource person.
3. Things to do before the next meeting: Policies received for first reading and Grading Policy for continued discussion.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**#02-004:** Katie Allen Newton made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 , seconded by Shalisa Geter. Consensus.