JAMES T. ALTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

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

**March 24, 2015**

Katie Allen Newton, facilitator, called the James T. Alton SBDM Council to order at 4:06 p.m. Members present: Katie Allen, Jama Bennett, Ken Caldwell, and Shilisa Geter.

**OPENING BUSINESS**

1. **#03-001.** Katie Newton made the motion to accept the amended meeting agenda, seconded by Shalisa Geter. Consensus.

1. **#03-002**. Katie Newton made the motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, seconded by Ken Caldwell. Consensus.
2. The following good news was shared with council members:

Drew Corder, an 8th grade student, represented Alton as a Legislative Page

TELL Survey had 100% participation

Alton’s 7th Gr. Volleyball team made it to round 2 of the playoffs

Several students will be attending the BETA Convention

Our Robotics Team has been invited to travel with CHHS and other middle schools to the National Competition in April which will be hosted in Louisville

Students raised ------- for Hoops for Heart

Diversity Assembly and Power of Words Assembly was hosted as Richae Logan’s KTIP Leadership Project

Alton’s faculty/staff raised 1500.00 towards funeral expenses for a faculty member

RAFFLE kick-off

**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

1. Jama reviewed subpopulation data with council. We are very proud of the progress our students are making and anxious to see spring MAP scores. (Reference attached)
2. Our students will be taking the Spring MAP test in reading and math before break and the language usage will follow upon return.

**PLANNING:**

Spring activities/events are in the planning stages. (Reference attachment)

**BUDGET:**

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

(Reference Attached)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. PBIS. Mr. Stewart was absent from the meeting and no data/information was submitted for review/discussion

**POLICY REVIEW:**

1. The following policies were reviewed for a second reading: Enhancing Student Achievement, Alignment w/ State Standards, Classroom Assessment, ExtraCurricular, and School Space.
2. The following policies were reviewed for a first reading: Curriculum, Instruction/Non-Insstructional Staff Time, Student Assignment, Program Appraisal and will be reviewed for a second reading in April.
3. The following policies were distributed: Improvement Planning, Technology Usage, Parental Involvement, Instructional Practices, Homework (First Reading in April)

**PREVIOUS/ONGOING BUSINESS :**

Alton’s Grading Policy is still under review. Any changes made will not take place until the 2015-16 school year. Katie will be seeking input from teachers.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Alton’s Section 7 (SBDM Needs List) was presented and reviewed with council memebers. (See attached)

**#03-003:** Katie Newton made the motion to approve the Section 7 Plan, seconded by Ken Caldwell. Consensus.

1. Teresa Ovesen presented information on the For-You Family Resource Youth Service Center and informed all of the state monitoring visit taking place on March 27th. (See attached)
2. Jama reviewed 2015-16 Allocations with council members. She recommended that the council allocate a .5 classified position/salary (library assistant) towards a certified salary and that 1 teaching position be split between the classroom and interventionist/data specialist.

**#03-004:** Katie Newton made the motion to convert a .5 classified position/salary to a portion of a certified salary and that 1 position be split between teaching and intervention/data specialist. Consensus.

**PERSONNEL ACTION:**

1. Reference C above
2. Jama informed council members that Robin Lovelace, Donna Miller, and Tami Pinson have submitted retirement papers and that Mary Kuhlman was resigning her position for the 15-16 school year.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/INFORMATION:**

1. Enrollment: 6th: 222, 7th: 235, 8th: 217 Total: 674
2. Jama also shared with council members that teachers recently completed a survey regarding their preference in positions/room assignments, etc. for 2015-16 and that school-wide PD dates have been finalized.
3. Next meeting date will be Tuesday, April 28th at 4:00 p.m. Ben Stewart will serve as facilitator and David Bollinger as resource person.
4. Things to do before the next meeting: Policies received for first reading and Grading Policy for continued discussion.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

**#03-005:** Ken Caldwell made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 , seconded by Katie Newton. Consensus.