**PANTHER ACADEMY**

**SITE BASE COUNCIL MEETING**

**July 18 2016**

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**10:00 a.m.**

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Kelly Graham.
2. **Members Present:** Kelly Graham; Amy Truitt; Caitlin Shilts; Julia Keathley; Melinda Robinson; Melissa Nepi; Carol George.
3. **Secretary:** Kim Druen
4. **Guests:** None
5. **Approval of Agenda:** Approved 1st Truitt, 2nd Shilts
6. **Approval of June 17 Minutes:** Approved 1st Shilts 2nd Robinson
7. **Principal Good News Report: \***Reviewed Accreditation Scores/Ratings on this among Staff, Parents, and Students and ratings were most positive! (One area school will work on very soon is the School Mission Statement); \*Information was shared about the upcoming EIS Back to school Bash on July 30th; \*Ms. Graham shared a few highlights from the Kids Ready Conference she just attended in Louisville and shared the focus of early childhood in the state, particularly the new KY All Stars Requirement for all early childhood private and public centers as one of the efforts to get kids ready for kindergarten. Still on average in the state only 50% of students are ready for kindergarten. Many efforts like KY All Stars and other self implemented strategies in other districts are underway to promote kindergarten readiness in the early years. Ms. Keathley shared Panther Academy’s Back Pack Program and Summer Work Packets that were distributed to all of the preschool children this past school year. Ms. Robinson asked if the KY All Stars requirement will be conducted with the preschools ECERS requirements, and Ms. Graham said this will be done together to monitor and ensure best preschool instructional practices.
8. **Purpose of Council:** Ms. Graham reinforced that the council’s main objective is to discuss student achievement, monitor budgets to support achievement, as well as create/review all policies. She shared KASC’s information and purpose as well. Many members expressed that the recent training they had in our district was very helpful and informative.
9. **BYLAWS or Policy Review/Readings/Adoption:** Final Readings on two policies were conducted and approved. “Student Assignment” approved 1st Truitt 2nd Nepi and also “Extra Curricular Programs” approved 1st Shilts 2nd Keathley. BILAWS were discussed, but not completed. This will continue during next meeting. (Ms. Graham will also be doing some work with matching these with newer KASC BILAWS to update them.) Next Meeting the council will need to review the Safe Schools Policy as a requirement annually.
10. **Adjournment:** Approved 1st Truitt 2nd Shilts at 11:35 a.m.