JAMES T. ALTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

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

**September 27, 2016**

Katie Newton, facilitator, called the James T. Alton SBDM Council to order at 4:07 p.m. Members present: Jama Bennett, David Bollinger, Katie Newton, and Katie Newton.

**OPENING BUSINESS**

1. **#09-001.** Ben Stewart made the motion to accept the meeting agenda, seconded by Katie Newton. Consensus.
2. **#09-002**. Ben Stewart made the motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, seconded by Katie Newton. Consensus.
3. The following good news was shared with council members:

Energy Bus – Only MS in US!!!

Zach Rogers – Tuesday’s Teen in NE

Crowd Funding Article (Donor’s Chose) in the NE

Donor’s Chose – Michelle Hale – 15 Chromebooks, Richard Rowland – 6 chromebooks and 10 chess sets.

Katie Newton awarded a spot on the CTEPS team for the state. Funded by the Gates Foundation

Katie Newton (Secretary) and Jaime Spurling (VP) have been selected officers for the Lincoln Heritage Council for Reading (10 county district within KRA)

Rachel Ritchie – International Recognition for her service project and has the 100,000 raised. VG will be breaking ground in the spring

8th Gr. Field Trip to the Zoo

MS students that participate in NH Band

Academics and Archery

Dana – Perfect Audit

Custodians were acknowledged for their efforts and will be receiving lunch over fall break

1. Public Comment:

**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

1. Jama shared the results of Fall MAP testing with council. and we are SO thrilled with our students and their continued growth/progress. (Reference attachments)

**PLANNING:**

1. October 18 – Open House
2. 8th Gr. Service Project – October 12 and 13
3. Construction – Corbett’s portion should be finished up after fall break – roofing and fencing still in progress.

**BUDGET:**

1. The August and Charitable Gaming budgets were shared with council members.

(Reference Attached)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

1. Budget – Jama reviewed with council (Reference attached)
2. Culture – Katie reviewed with council (Reference attached)
3. Parent Involvement – Ben reviewed with council (Reference attached)
4. Work Ethic – Jama reviewed with council (Reference attached)
5. PBIS – Michael shared with council (Reference attached)

**POLICY REVIEW:**

1. Grading Policy – Revised and updated for 2016-17 school year

**#09-003**: Katie Newton made the motion to the revisions of the JTA Grading Policy, seconded by David Bollinger. Consensus

1. Consultation – Discussion was held and the suggestion was made to utilize video conferencing for closed session meetings regarding hiring of personnel when face-to-face is not an option. Reading #2 will be in October.
2. Budget and Spending – Discussion held. Council Operation to be removed and replaced with Title 1. Reading #2 in October
3. Program Review – Discussion held. Michael will work with Jon Thomas to update and Reading #2 will be in October

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. School Safety Plan – Michael shared the completed School Safety Plan with Council. (Reference attached)

**#09-004:** David Bollinger made the motion to approve the Safety Plan, seconded by Ben Stewart.

Consensus.

1. SBDM Member Requirements – Requirement sheets were distributed to all members for completion.

**PERSONNEL ACTION:**

1. Committee Recommendations for the following positions were shared with council: 3rd Shift Custodian

**#09-005**: Katie Newton made the motion to accept the committee recommendations, seconded by Ben Stewart. Consensus.

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/INFORMATION:**

1. Enrollment - 662
2. Next meeting date: October 25, 2016 Ken Caldwell will serve as facilitator and Cheryl Logsdon as resource.
3. Things to do before the next meeting: Review three DRAFT policies, Ben will follow up on athletic eligibility, and Michael will collaborate with CO personnel to revise the Program Review Policy - all to be discussed in October. Jama will email anything else that needs to be reviewed before the next meeting

**ADJOURNMENT**

**#09-006:** Katie Newton made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:55, seconded by David Bollinger. Consensus.