JAMES T. ALTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

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

**February 28, 2017**

Ken Caldwell, facilitator, called the James T. Alton SBDM Council to order at 4:07 p.m. Members present: Jama Bennett, Ken Caldwell, Cheryl Logsdon, Katie Newton, and Ben Stewart.

**OPENING BUSINESS**

1. **#2-001.** Ben Stewart made the motion to accept the meeting agenda, seconded by Katie Newton. Consensus.

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

Two of our VEX Robotics Teams are going to state

25 students made All-District Band

Parent Night – Chili Supper had a great turnout and two pots of chili are needed next year – mild and hot!

7th Grade trip to the PAC to see the Lion King was enjoyed by all. It’s always nice to see art and humanities in action; as well as knowing one of our very own students was in the performance.

Norah Croghan placed 1st in Sculpture and qualified for nationals in Orlando

Our 8th graders will be participating in the Junior Achievement Simulation in March

8th graders will begin the process of scheduling for high school in March

Elizabeth Howell’s photo qualified for state STLP

1. Public Comment:

Great turnout at the rally against Charter Schools.

**STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT**

1. NAEP Testing – Approximately 55 students took the NAEP test. We have never made a big deal out of this before since it is for the purpose of data collection; however, this year we decided we wanted our students to shine and met with them, showed a video, provided them with a special breakfast and rewarded them with a sweat day for their hard work.
2. Upcoming Scrimmage Tests – during the month of March, our students will be taking Reading/Math/SS scrimmage tests and Science will be piloting the new assessment.
3. Spring MAP will be after spring break
4. K-PREP will be 5/2 through 5/8
5. District MAP Comparison. Jama forgot to include this handout in the monthly packet. We will review in March.

**PLANNING:**

1. Plans are underway for the following:

Dinner of Champions (week of 4/24)

5K – 4/29

K-PREP Kickoff Karnival for the Community 4/28

End of Year Activities (8th grade Dinner and Dance)

**BUDGET:**

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

(Reference Attached)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**POLICY REVIEW:**

1. Writing Policy (District) Draft was discussed and questions were submitted for clarification. Jama will follow up on these. Jon Thomas and Tim Caswell will be in attendance at the March meeting for clarification.

**PREVIOUS – ON GOING BUSINESS:**

1. Section 7 Update. Jama shared that we have items on order, bids being submitted,etc. Discussion regarding the new door locks was held and council suggested changing the breezeway entry to the bottom door downstairs since so many people park in the lower parking lot. Jama will discuss this with Jon Stith. Ben also shared that regarding lockers, hardware replacement was also needed.

**BUSINESS:**

1. Allocations 2017-18 Jama reviewed allocations with council (See attached).

**PERSONNEL ACTION:**

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS/INFORMATION:**

1. Enrollment: 686
2. Next meeting date to be March 28, 2017. David Bollinger will serve as facilitator and Ben Stewart as resource person.
3. Things to do before the next meeting:

**ADJOURNMENT**

**#02-003:** Ben Stewart made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 , seconded by Katie Newton. Consensus.