

OGES SAC Mtg. 3/25/25

1. Attendance - Dana Edwards, Molly Neuman, Lane Ahern, Christian Madrid.
2. Staffing/Retention 25-26 update -
 - a. This is Dana's last year, Cindy's last year, Mrs. Davidson will be the GATE coordinator for 3 schools -, Mrs. Jennings is going to CMS 6th grade, prediction of numbers dropping to around 354 instead of 376
 - b. Mrs. Edwards not hiring new secretary - will leave up to the new principal
 - c. The TLA model will continue in 1st on a smaller scale due to numbers coming up (47 kindergarteners)
 - d. Kinder - 2 teachers, 3rd - will be 3 teachers right now there is an opening in 3rd, and 4th-5th same amount of teachers, change in teams for
 - e. ESS/SPED - is down to 1 ½ FTE due to funding from the federal government and state trying to decide how to do funds.

Funding for per pupil is usually based on a 5 year average of the October count, but that may be changing and will impact funding if it does.

3. Parent Survey - still open until Friday -at this point mostly all positive comments, especially in the improved communication from school to parents - this brought up a comment from Lane stating the District had mentioned possibly replacing Class Dojo with another system. Molly said the District had brought up a program called "talking point", and Mrs. Edwards said that teachers at OGES are on a usage continuum for Class Dojo - some use a lot and some use at a bare minimum.
4. Field Trips & EOY Activities - Molly asked if changing the tech fees to activity fees has helped fund things. Mrs. Edwards said that we have received some funds from there, she has written asking for donations

from various community partners to help fund experiential learning activities. Dana passed out a 2 sided sheet with all of the EOY activities happening here.

5. DAC financial update - Mrs. Yergensen was not here, but Dana had a packet - per Dana we got funding for 1 flex position and she used it for STEM. Since the Per Pupil Funding is decreasing, the DAC budget priorities are included in the packet that shows that they want to expand visual arts and careers pathways (mostly MS and HS). Molly asked if the mental health needs are being met for OGES students/staff. Mrs. Edwards shared that we have access to different supports through the district safety team, and there are some additional community supports that our counselor helps access. (1 person comes in to give services to students, a social worker, and another person who helps with grief group.) Lane asked if the help is only for students who have problems or for the general population - We access all we can based on individual student need. Molly asked if we feel like we are lacking help, Dana said that we get what we need for the most part.

6. Feedback: Glows & Grows - Molly asked if PAC is able to support the staff - some people who were able to volunteer last year are not available this year. Dana replied that they get it done, and that hopefully PAC will continue efforts to engage more volunteers. We had Reading Champs training, but not all parents were able to follow through on the commitment piece of it. WATCHDOG Dads was pretty successful this year.

Room Parents were a big help as well.

Chris mentioned that she would like to start a group of Hispanic parent volunteers to help with copying, listening to kids read, math, etc. to help with involving that population in the schools. Dana said to see her later and we could try and get it started by EOY.

7. ADJOURN - Next meeting is May 1, 2025 - last meeting of the year.