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LSAT Meeting Notes
Watkins Elementary School
December 4, 2018

LSAT Attendees: Ebon McPherson, Meg Booth, Principal Bell, Principal Comeforo, Jessica Pannett, Lona Valmoro, Tom Guglielmo, Finnuala Tessier, Tiffany Ahn, Tatiana Sheppard, Lauren Tate and Tiffany Kaijage.

The LSAT meeting began at 6:10pm.

Stuart- Hobson - Principal's Updates

- Staffing Updates
 - Greg Newbold has started as the new 6th grade Special Education teacher.
 - Ali Roy, Ms. Roy's son and Cluster alumni, is starting at Stuart-Hobson as a part-time custodian and will also be joining Watkins part-time.
- Upcoming Events
 - Stuart-Hobson is gearing up for three performances of "Beauty & the Beast"

Watkins & Peabody - Principal's Updates

- Staffing Updates
 - Watkins has also hired Ali Roy as a part-time custodian. He will split his time between Stuart-Hobson and Watkins.
 - Assistant Principal hiring update – Principal Bell scheduled one "preliminary walk through" interview. Ideally, we will have three candidates to interview before winter break.
 - Ms. Kayne has been highlighted for her literacy work in the Fall 2018 "Journal of Reading Recovery".
 - At Peabody, Ms. Mingo is currently out on sick leave. If she is going to be out for an extended period of time, Ms. Whittier is the likely substitute for that classroom.
- Upcoming Events
 - The Watkins Spelling Bee will be held on Friday, December 7th
 - The Winter Performance on Tuesday, December 18th.

- Brief discussion about the closure of aftercare at Peabody/Watkins on Friday, December 21st ahead of Winter Break. Principal Bell will provide clarifying information about the operating status of each aftercare program for Dec. 21st to Watkins and Peabody communities.

LSAT Priority Setting

- OSSE STAR Framework/Ratings are expected to be released on Friday, December 7th.
- For the remainder of the meeting, LSAT members engaged in exercises to set priorities moving forward, using the Comprehensive School Plans and criteria for the STAR Framework.
- The four categories that were prioritized -- math, writing, integration/equity, and school/parent communication.
- These priorities are intended to inform the focus of LSAT for the remainder of the year in an effort to support our principals in achieving their goals and monitor progress of our students and teachers.

Next meeting

- January 8, 2019, 6-8 pm at Stuart Hobson Middle School