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LSAT Meeting Notes
Stuart Hobson Middle School
January 8, 2019

LSAT Attendees: Ebon McPherson, Meg Booth, Principal Bell, Principal Comeforo, AP Croft, Jessica Pannett, Lona Valmoro, Finnuala Tessier, Tiffany Ahn, Kip Plasted, Mercedes Salazar, Asa Davis, Lauren Tate and Nakisha Winston.

In addition, approximately 6 community members and/or parents were in attendance.

The LSAT meeting began at 6:10pm.

Stuart- Hobson - Principal's Updates

- Staffing Updates
 - No changes or updates
- Enrollment
 - 100%, no notable changes

Watkins & Peabody - Principal's Updates

- Enrollment
 - 100%, no notable changes
- Staffing Updates
 - AP Position at Watkins: Before the holiday break, three candidates were brought in for interviews. Two have a math focus and one has a literacy focus. All three candidates have had some experience with Special Education. All three candidates will return the week of January 14th for panel interviews, which will include a parent representative from LSAT. The goal is to hire a permanent new AP by early February.
 - Peabody Staffing: Two Peabody teachers are currently on extended leave. Principal Bell and AP Angry are securing substitutes for those classrooms.
- Upcoming Events
 - The next four weeks is the window for middle of the year (MOY) testing.

- The PARCC Family Night will be on February 12th, sharing the evening with the February PTA Meeting. In addition, Saturday PARCC planning has begun with a focus on the content of the sessions and invitations to students that could benefit the greatest from the Saturday sessions.

DCPS and School STAR Rating

- Principal Comeforo walked through the ESSA School Improvement presentation and the objective of DCPS's recent STAR ratings.
 - STAR Ratings:
 - 70% based on PARCC standardized testing
 - 25% based on school culture
 - 5% based on ELL (English Language Learners) proficiency (only measured if a school has 10 or more ELL students)
 - STAR is based on 95 total points without ELL proficiency 100 points with ELL proficiency
- Stuart Hobson:
 - Strong ELA proficiency and growth
 - Not included in STAR, but are important components of Stuart Hobson – athletics, theater and arts programming, and family engagement.
 - Goals moving forward -- Increase math proficiency and math growth rates; and reduce our percentage of chronically absent students
 - The current SH Comprehensive School Plan reflects the goals that STAR reinforced
- Watkins:
 - Solid scores and growth in both literacy and math
 - Watkins is moving African American and Latino students faster than the District as a whole; however, Watkins is not moving white students as fast as the District.
 - Goals moving forward – Increase focus on special education, at-risk, and accelerated students.
 - The current Watkins Comprehensive School Plan reflects the goals STAR reinforced

LSAT adjourned at 8:00 pm

Next meeting

- February 11, 2019, 6-8 pm at Watkins School