

Matthews Committee on Education

Tuesday, August 13th

In attendance:

Kristen Shaben, Kelly Morris, Joanna Schimizzi, Susannah White, Erin Ferrell-Harper, Jay Grymes, Jenny Reill, Becky Hawke, Adam Brooks, Dane Jackson. Absent: Jeff Miller

Call to order 6:34 by Erin Ferrell-Harper

When reviewing the previous meeting's minutes, Kristen Shaben noted that Cochrane and Cato were pretty much the same thing as Levine. Levine serves the south while Cato and Cochrane serve other areas. We do not need those on the list. The committee agreed. Please correct the spelling of "Jay Grymes".

Jay Grymes – made a motion to approve the July meetings as amended – Susannah White – 2nd,

Kristen Shaben – we added quite a bit of metrics under Health & Safety – we added 5 metrics, does that need to be itemized in the meeting minutes. Becky Hawke clarified that the approved document would stand for anything added to the document.

Jay Grymes made another motion to approve the minutes and Susannah White offered a 2nd. Unanimous approval of minutes with amendment

Discussion points below were regarding the indicators about schools.
It was suggested that we use % economically disadvantaged instead of "socioeconomic overview"

Joanna Schimizzi offered to email Nadja Trez – about #/% of EL in each student versus School Report card of Progress

Some members voiced concern about adding more indicators, but were in agreement about leaving English Language learners as an indicator. The committee decided to follow Erin's suggestion to add a new section.

Erin offered that independent schools will be able to gather developmental age, but won't have all of the same data points.

The committee queried about devices per student and book titles per student. Erin suggested a section called "Anything else about your school that you'd like to share" ... Example "Device ratio is..."

Jay Grymes would like to add "# of teachers that have a teaching license".

The committee decided to focus the Retention category by – adding 0-3 years of experience and then 4+ years

Becky is going to email school lists to Joanna to make Google Doc so that members can choose the schools they will be responsible for.

Kelly, the members of the committee might want to mix up who has CMS vs. independent schools because of difficulty of gathering data. Members might also want to choose schools they don't know in order to avoid bias.

Each member should please choose 1 CMS school and remainder – select – from the list

MCE members to first fill out as many of the metrics as possible. Letter from the Mayor will be sent and then email completed data sheet and then email/phone call to follow up/fill in the blanks.

Approve the letter – 2nd, approve unanimously.

Google Doc of school assignment will be emailed by Monday August 19th. If no response by September 3rd, schools will be auto-assigned.

Next meeting = Sept. 10th, Oct. 8th, Nov. 12th, - all at 6:30pm

Joanna will look into calendar invite ability from email platform.

Meeting adjourned 8:10pm