

Urban Science Academy
School Site Council Meeting Minutes
January 18th, 2018
6:15 – 7:45pm

Attendees

Jeff: Headmaster
Olinka: Student Affairs & Engagement Coordinator
Erin W.: Spanish Teacher
Darlene M: Assistant Headmaster

Review of last months meeting minutes:

- Motion to approve minutes, after making an adjustment of attendees, Darlene need to be added to the list of attendees.

A moment of silence in honor of USA student Chad.

- SST leading and collaborating with District Mental Health Counselors to support students, staff and families in this moment of grieve. Counselors will be at USA for the rest of the week. An SST member has been identified as the point person to communicate with Chad's family. Part of PD this week was utilized to provide support to staff.

Adjustment in Start/End Times for SY 18-19 Postponed

Science Week Highlights

- Over 120 Projects were presented at USA's Annual Science Fair, higher student participation, increased career panelist, increased judges and more workshops offered to students contribute to having an Excellent Science Fair Week. The new location (gym) worked well. Students and Judges were both extremely exited.

Overview of FY19 Budget & Partnership Fund

- Fewer enrollment for SY 19, projection for SY19 is 25 decrease of students.
- \$200,000 dollars cut from USA's current budget.
- Staff was informed of SY 19 budget on 1/16/18
- SSC reviewed and approved SY 19 budget.
- USA was allocated \$70,000 from the Partnership Fund

Upcoming events

- Black History Month: Multiple engaging activities for students: Performance, Movie, Field Trip, Daily Quotes, Door Decorating Contest, Dashiki Day and Lip-sync Battle Students vs. Staff and a Young Man of Color Breakfast.
- Biology MCAS on 2/5 – 2/6

- Senior College Boot Camp, on the spot admissions on 2/6/18
- Bake Sale Fundraiser For Chad's Family on 2/14/18
- February Accelerated Academy, 2/20 – 2/23/18
- After School MCAS Prep. On Mon. & Wed. with Ms. Perez RM 101, 1:45-3:15pm

Next meeting/Proposed Agenda Items

- Thursday, February 15th, 2018 at Curtis Hall 6-7:45pm
- Potential Merger with WRA
- Uno's Fundraiser