

## Parent Collaborative Network Agenda September 3rd, 2020 3:30pm via ZOOM

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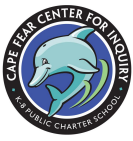
**Members Present:** Kim McCormick, Elaine Jack (Chair), Tanya Inabnit, Shelley Thomas, E Stanfield, Melissa King (late). Keri Wray absent

**Visitors:** Beth Gaglione, Neely Poely, Kristen Shaughnessy

**Next Meeting Date:** October 15<sup>th</sup> 3:30pm

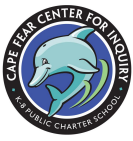
# PCN DISCUSSION TOPICS

<p><b>Updates:</b> Open-House(s), remote learning Start 15:35</p>	<p><b>Kim</b></p>	<p>Both Zoom <u>Open Houses</u> were well attended with ~50% participation for general and ~70% for grade level zoom sessions.</p> <p>Remote Learning Update: K-3 doing mostly assessments up to now and parents are generally positive with organization, and tools provided. Buying more iPads to increase access to synchronous learning. 4-8 feedback overall positive. Google Classroom used universally by all teachers is very helpful. Daily student engagement is nearly 90%. Purchased two hotspots using Cares Act funds for families where internet access was a problem.</p> <p>Reaching out to those non-engaged students for whom tech is not the issue.</p> <p>Organization is a struggle in the remote learning setting for some kids, especially for middle grades after hours work. These kids need extra encouragement. This segways to next topic.</p>
<p><b>Teacher-Student-Family connections</b></p>	<p><b>Kim</b></p>	<p>Teacher-Student check-ins are needed because some kids don't want to reach out. Middle schoolers may feel uncomfortable asking for help. Kids are allowed to use the screen off option in Zoom meetings. Kim will encourage teachers to reach out more 1:1 with students to better personalize their education or approach to learning when possible. This is especially needed for kids in new loops.</p>
<p><b>Hybrid Plan Progress</b> (15:52-16:38)</p>	<p><b>Kim</b></p>	<p>Before creating a hybrid model, we knew remote teaching had to be GOOD! The school aimed and continues to provide teacher needs. In these first four weeks of remote learning, teachers have layered in learning concepts to not overwhelm students, which has worked well. We are in the process of buying quality</p>



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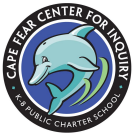
		<p>cameras and microphones for teachers who want/need so that they can practice synchronous learning for the hybrid scenario. The instructional piece of hybrid learning is being developed. Not all teachers are in favor of this synchronous learning methodology but it makes learning better for the kids who are home. Options for remote students would be small group live lessons and/or pre-recorded lessons. In other facets required for the hybrid model, the school is more prepared for students in-house. Teachers are creating loop level Hybrid Schedules for teachers to input their model.</p> <p>All students/adults would wear masks all the time</p> <p>plexi-glass divides the desks if less than 6 ft (for interventions/EC)</p> <p>teachers may move from room to room not students</p> <p>specialists may still Zoom but details are still pending.</p> <p>Currently there is no 4-8 playground until at least February because of the parking lot construction.</p> <p>The questions are is this a manageable plan, do teachers have what they need, what are other reservations?</p> <p>CFCI's Board will meet September 15<sup>th</sup> to decide whether to move forward to hybrid plan on October 12<sup>th</sup> or continue remote until the end of the first Trimester.</p> <p>Kim encourages parents to attend, write letters, etc at the Board zoom meeting supporting teachers and explaining family needs.</p> <p>Kim wants to create a detailed and probing survey for parents to first explain CFCI's hybrid model and learn what are parents' concerns, questions, etc. There are benefits and disadvantages to both remote and hybrid models. Families who chose to remain remote through the first Trimester will most likely be able to choose remote for the second Trimester. Feedback from other statewide</p>
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		<p>charters is a mix of successes and failures and new challenges.</p> <p>All saw budgets increase.</p> <p>Q. Beth G: Wonder how influenced teachers and parents are by New Hanover County Board of Education's (NHCBE) decisions? Kim is trying to ensure teachers are and feel safe and to maintain positivity and also do what's best for the kids. Some teachers work at home but a large percentage are in-school. She is genuinely concerned about losing families and teachers during this pandemic depending on either decision by CFCI's Board. Nearly half of the school's county funding depends on student enrollment.</p> <p>Kim's goal for the year as the Interim Director is to build relationships at CFCI. As a leader safety is most important. A school doesn't function well if people don't feel safe.</p>
<p><b>School Directory</b> (16:55-17:00)</p>	<p><b>Elaine</b></p>	<p>Want to create a school directory for parents to communicate more easily with one another. Elaine likes DirectoryBurst because of it's adaptability. Asked PCN Members to check it out - <a href="https://www.directoryburst.com/a/">https://www.directoryburst.com/a/</a></p> <p>Tanya noted the PTO had trouble last school year communicating directly to families.</p>
<p><b>Partnership Update</b> (16:39-16:55)</p>	<p><b>Tanya</b></p>	<p>Partnership Board met recently and decided to hold off on Fund the Wonder because concerned about asking families for money. Elaine noted not all families' financial situations have changed and to consider a new strategy for fund-raising. Beth G. suggested a One-Day Fund the Wonder Campaign this year and tie-in support needs for remote or hybrid learning. PTO still accepts passive donations via CFCI's website. Kim wants to encourage families to still get involved / volunteer with the school, but how may look different.</p> <p>Elaine suggested getting CFCI masks for the kids and teachers, staff using CFCI colors and logo, which the Partnership would sell. Beth G. said the Food Bank bought ones that are breathable material and adjustable. Tanya, Elaine and Beth will communicate further on the masks and Tanya will propose idea to PTO.</p>



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<b>Future Topics</b>  End 17:03		Zoom link from now forward will be consistent for the PCN meetings. <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86703972578">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86703972578</a>  Next meeting set for October 15 <sup>th</sup> at 3:30.
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