

School Community Council Meeting, Oct. 5, 2020 Joseph R. Nielsen

Present: Marian Broadhead, Beth Hartung-Soria, Joseph Nielsen, Deb Gordon, Merrie Hughes, Heather Hendriksen, Lizzie Jolley, Danelle Montero, Dawnell Moon, Jessica Hintze, Ross Chambless, Stacie Perkins, Kristie Christensen, Troy Davis, Megan Buhler, Ashley Moncur

Excused: Lindsay Schou

Absent: Andy Montero

We reviewed the minutes. With the correction of PTA President from Deb to Ashley the minutes were then approved.

Chair report – Merrie: She had some people inquiring about the Possibility of moving our Neighborhood program to C&A model. Marian responded that this has been put on hold while the District is dealing with Remote and Hybrid model instruction. She will bring her notes about how the process would go to our next meeting.

Principal's report: We need to solidify our Council membership for the year. Kristie shared what she had found out about the formulation of the council. Members are elected for 2 years with indefinite renewal and a 50% annual re-election. Members can be appointed if there are not enough to hold an election. The council determine in advance how many positions would be available. The State requires 6 parents and 2 school faculty as a minimum.

Present membership: (program affiliation is given only to ensure equitable representation)

Chairperson: Merrie

School: Marian, Beth, Joseph

Neighborhood: Stacy, Lindsay, Ross

C&A: Troy, Jessica, Danelle, Andy M.

ELP: Lizzie, Dawnell, Ashley,

Out of boundary: Heather

PTA: Deb, Kristie, (Megan as PTA President but non-voting)

Ross was nominated and seconded as a member of the council. This was approved by unanimous vote. We thank Matt Hintze and Jessie Gordon for their service. The voting membership of the council is as listed above.

Marian reported on the updates to our plan for to fulfill the requirement of House Bill 58. Teachers will be receiving training on a new program to address teaching about the dangers of tobacco, vaping, drugs, and address the need for positive social/emotional outlooks.

Marian reported about the emergency plans, updated Council about District and school personnel. She talked about the emergency equipment located in the building, staff training in first aid and CPR,

Marian talked about the School Success Plan Goals (Literacy and Social/Emotional) and how teachers are using assessments to identify students in need of additional instruction and interventions. We have purchased over \$1000 in reading materials for students. The school has also committed to engaging students using Kagan strategies. Heather asked if audio books were included in the purchases. Marian said she would look into that.

The school's website will be changing as the District changes platforms. While the District is in remote learning mode, parents will need to be more aware of what students are accessing online, monitor and exercise some control.

Reports:

C&A – Troy: nothing from C&A. He asked if there were equipment hardware that teachers can use to make teaching in remote easier. Beth reported that the need of teachers is more collaboration and help from each other in using the software. Heather asked about training available from the District. Beth said that District did a heavy training, and it was somewhat

overwhelming. Now that we are in the midst of teaching, the greatest help has been from peer-to-peer support.

ELP – Lizzie: the ELP website is up and running, the Spanish class is also going. ELP would like to ask teachers to ask parents who might have special skills make a short movie for the students. Beth was asked at what point this would be a burden to teachers. She responded that it would be individualized by teachers. She said that the greater need would be for parents to help monitor ZOOM breakout sessions. Troy asked about how the Spanish program was funded and operated, he was directed to the ELP Steering Committee Chairperson.

Neighborhood - Stacy: The constancy of remote education- not flipping back and forth between remote and hybrid - is working well. Her perspective is that instruction will improve as teachers get more experience with the programs and software. There was a discussion about various ways of reaching out to parents and getting feedback. Involvement in PTA was put forth to get involvement and feedback from families and parents.

PTA – Deb: PTA will not sponsor a Hawk Walk this fall. They are looking for ways to raise funds and want to encourage parents and families to renew their grocery cards and to support the restaurant nights. Marian is thinking that there will be a good chance to have photos taken for the yearbook later in the year. She asked for contact information for a company to take photos.

Staff – Beth: We already discussed the items she had from the staff. She will communicate back to teachers that there are parents who are willing to volunteer to help with ZOOM breakout sessions.

Motion to adjourn made, seconded and passed.