

Minutes of Sunrise Elementary Community Council Meeting

Meeting Date: February 4th, 2021

Meeting called to order by Jenn Staker

This meeting was held in-person and online through "Zoom"

Attendance

Members in Attendance: Derek Beer, Sue Hintze, Korry Hintze, Becky Greenwood, Summer Gunn, Muly Miller, Amy Wallace, Laura Chatterton, Jenn Staker, Rachel Parrish

Guests in Attendance: Kathy Christiansen (School Board Member), Katelyn Ballif (School Media Specialist)

Members not in Attendance:

Adoption of Documents

Approval of Minutes

Amy Wallace moved to approve the November, 2020 minutes

Jenn Staker seconded the motion

All in favor

Reports

Assessment Data

Mid-year Acadience data reports were handed out (see attached)

Online students are tested, but it is uncertain whether or not their data is included with these scores.

Some things Sunrise is dealing with that might affect data outcome: Some online students are recently coming back. Trying to fill in the gaps from students being out of school in the spring of 2020. Past COVID rules prevented students from being moved around as needed in reading groups.

Writing data will be coming in and will be shared at a later date.

Trust Land Plan measurement tools

It has been recommended that the measurement tools for next year's Trust Land Plan be changed from RISE (once a year assessment) to reading and math assessments that are done on a more regular basis. All students participate in the regular assessments except "Life Skills" students, who have a whole other measurement to track progress.

Current Spending Report

The current budget summary was handed out (see attached). The 42 percent remaining money will go towards aide's salaries. There needs to be no more than 10 percent remaining by the end of the school year.

Aides

Sunrise has a sufficient number of aides this year. The aide budget was depleted last spring as a result of keeping aides working through the COVID soft shutdown.

Emergency Backpacks

Teacher's emergency supply backpacks are currently being updated and readied.

Some of the items in this bag include: Tarp, emergency blankets, candy, water, etc. A crowbar will also be included.

Digital Citizenship

Katelyn Ballif talked with council members about digital citizenship. The state passed a law that digital citizenship needs to be taught in schools. Katelyn gets much of her curriculum from CommomSenseMedia.org (see attached). She will send out "family tip sheets" to parents.

New Business

School Safety

Walking Safety

The following issues were brought up as concerns for kids' safety while walking to and from school.

The 3-way stop intersection on 3rd South doesn't get sand, salt or plows as needed. People can't stop coming down the hill because of slick roads. Parents are wondering why this is a 3-way stop.

People are not stopping for kids who need to cross the roads along walking routes unless there is a cross guard standing in the road.

The intersection directly East of the school is a concern. People park too close to, or on the crosswalk, which forces kids to go around them. Cars crowd both sides of the street. Drivers don't signal when turning. Kids dart out into the street to get to their pickup vehicles.

Ideas to solve safety issues: Ask the city to post a 20 MPH speed limit. Use red flags to cross the road. Draft a letter (Jenn Staker will do this) to Smithfield City Council members explaining the issues, asking for their help and to be put on the council agenda. Attend a city council meeting voicing concerns and possible solutions. Send a reminder to parents asking for their help while picking up and dropping off students. Ask Smithfield police to monitor area. Talk to students.

Entrances/Exits

The doors are opened in the morning at 8:35 and locked at 9:15
This year, students are assigned doors to enter and exit due to COVID. It is nice having all the students use a different door. This so much better than having all students use the same doors

School Safety Renovations

The following renovation issues were brought up as concerns for school safety:
There is a fire hydrant positioned in the middle of the student's playing field.
Last time the topic of moving it was brought up, Derek was told it would be a huge project.

The office needs remodeling to help with intruder safety.

Money for these things could possibly come from legislative funding for safety school renovations and School Land Trust funds.

Rescheduling CC Meetings

Jenn Staker moved to reschedule the next two meetings from March 4th and April 1st to March 11th and April 8th

Amy Wallace seconded the motion

All in favor

Meeting adjourned

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 11th, 2021