

Minutes of Sunrise Elementary Community Council Meeting

Meeting Date: March 21st, 2019

Meeting Held in Mr. Beer's Office

Meeting called to order by Heidi Kesler

Attendance

Members in Attendance: Derek Beer, Heidi Kesler, Lindsey Black, Katie Brinck, Laura Chatterton, Susan Ashcroft

Members not in Attendance: LeeAnn Wheeler, Stefani Thatcher, Tifanie Findlay, Jana Atkinson

Adoption of Documents

Approval of Minutes

Susan Ashcroft moved to approve the February 2019 minutes

Katie Brinck seconded the motion

All in Favor

New Business

2019/2020 School Plan Goals

Language Arts: Last year the language arts goal was set at 74 percent. This goal was not met. It was decided to adjust the goal to 69 percent. The year before last, it was set at 62 percent, so, 69 percent represents a large growth from the goal set two years ago.

The Acadience assessment has replaced DIBELS so a new goal for that will be set.

Math: The math goal will be set at 78 percent with the Spring RISE assessment being one of the measurements. There was some discussion as to how to assess the younger student's growth since they don't take the RISE test. Go-Math assessments were discussed as a possibility.

School Plan Budget

The following categories were pinpointed as needs in the school:

Technology, aides and professional development.

Aides: There was some discussion on how many aides were needed; where to hire these persons from; would there be enough to keep them busy in the classrooms if more were hired? The following points were brought out in favor of more aides; having smaller groups in the classroom was very beneficial and the consideration of the projected growth due to housing developments.

It was proposed to set a goal for the following aides: Two aides for each grade level and two aides for 6th grade plus one STEM aide. Mr. Beer suggested that the additional aides be hired in the spring, so they are ready to go when school starts.

Technology: This year's goal for technology is to provide two chrome labs for each grade level. This need is due to the increased programs and tech related curriculum students need to access in their day such as Go-Math, Reading Counts, Benchmark testing, report writing, etc. Also, the first grade Ipads need to be replaced and 15 additional Ipads are needed to complete a set of 30 for coding. Along with the above items, there is a need to replace some teacher's computers.

Professional Development: The NCTM Math Instructions' Professional Learned Communities will be holding a conference in Salt Lake this year and some money, maybe 5,000 dollars will be put aside to allow teachers to go to this. If there is not enough left after technology and aides, the funds might be able to be pulled from elsewhere.

The amount the school will receive from the School LAND Trust funds for the 2019/2020 school year is projected to be around 90,000 dollars.

There will be an Electronic Approval emailed to council members soon, so the submission deadline can be met.

Safety and Character Education

Some discussion on picking up a safety and character education program in lieu of “Leader in Me” was discussed among council members. The “Happy Classroom” was mentioned as a great resource that can be used for this. The council talked about promoting this by using the newsletter and Back to School Night.

Reports

Changes within the Community Council

The Council School Improvement Planning Meeting is replaced by the Teacher and Student Success Act. This will go into effect in the spring of 2019. Some changes include:

Budget and goals will shift to the principal. He will seek input from parents and teachers.

The council’s focus will be safety.

Elections: There is a term limit of two years for each council member and nominations and elections are required. The following parents serving on the council now will continue on their second term; Katie Brinck, Tifanie Findlay. Current members, whose two-year term is up, can put their names on the ballot if they would like to be reelected.

The following procedures apply: The chair writes a notice asking for members to be put on the ballot and the principal emails it out. They will probably be sent out in mid-May. There needs to be two more parents than faculty members serving on the council.

Brazilian Intern

The DLI budget will be paying for an intern from Brazil, this person will be helping in the DLI classrooms next year.

Meeting was adjourned by Heidi Kesler

Next Meeting: Friday, April 19th