

Minutes of Sunrise Elementary Community Council Meeting

Meeting Date: September 17th, 2019

Meeting Held in the Teacher's Lounge

(Draft)

Meeting called to order by Katie Brinck

Attendance

Members in Attendance: Derek Beer, Katie Brinck, Tifanie Findlay, Sue Hintze, Korry Hintze, Jenn Staker, Becky Greenwood, Laura Chatterton

Members not in Attendance:

Guests in Attendance: Lindsey Black (parent) Katelyn Ballif (Media Specialist)

Adoption of Documents

Approval of Minutes

Becky Greenwood moved to approve the May 2019 minutes

Sue Hintze seconded the motion

All in favor

Follow Up

Sidewalk Project

Lindsey Black briefly updated council members on the 3rd South sidewalk project. She Reported that the sidewalk has been completed and the crosswalk has been painted. All that is left to do is install flags and a flashing crosswalk sign. She has contacted city officials and has been told that the city is working on getting this done.

New Business

Internet Safety

Katelyn Ballif (School Media Specialist) talked to the council about what she was doing to teach the children internet safety. She explained that it is a state law to teach internet safety and cyber bullying. She teaches two to three lessons per grade using common sense media as her main resource now. She has used Netsmartz in the past, but the State no longer uses it; they are now using Responsibility.net. Netsmartz could possibly be used again in the future. Katelyn asked council members to let her know if they see any resources that would be beneficial to her. She will email parents the "Family Tip Sheets" on the lessons she has taught the kids so they can discuss it with their children. Katelyn recommended to parents the Common Sense Media resources which include; books articles, app reviews, etc.

Bike/Scooter Safety

Parents reported that Multiple kids are riding their scooters and bikes down the middle of the road on their way to school with no helmets.

Possible solutions/helps discussed were;

1. PTA members stationing checkpoints. If the kids are caught doing the right thing, they will be handed a reward. It was recommended that this be done possibly quarterly. The information on this could be sent home to parents in the safety week packet that goes home. Tiffanie Findlay will talk to PTA members and get back with Katie Brinck on their response.
2. Holding a "Bike Rodeo" during safety week the end of October. Possibly, a local bike shop would come and teach the kids about bike safety.
3. Communicate with parents

Other Safe Walking Concerns

Derek pointed out that the new homes being built South of Skyview are in our school boundaries. There is no sidewalk along both sides of the street on 6th south up to 455 East. He suggested they could maybe work with Skyview to see what could possibly be done.

The intersection on 3rd South and 10th East is quite dangerous. There are no crosswalks painted there and because of the malalignment of the streets, it is extra dangerous.

Katie Brinck is communicating with Curtis Wall (City Council Member) to get signs posted at the curbs going up the street from the school on 210 South. In hopes of getting parents to stop parking in the intersections on the corners while picking up their kids after school.

Children are crossing the street on 455 East before they get to the crosswalk in order to avoid having to possibly wait at the crosswalk.

Derek told members that there is a Safe Route Plan posted on the school website and he would , send the link if they would like.

School Emergencies

Derek explained the District's emergency system (DRS – "Dur-ess") to council members. The system runs through computers and personal devices. If there is a threat in the building anyone can set off an alarm. The alarms are; Hall Check, Shelter in Place, Lock Down and Evacuate.

The school has a drill once a month and the above alerts are incorporated into the drills. This is a huge tool because it is connected to the district and local police. Minor flaws are; sound turned down on computers and/or devices out of reach of WIFI.

A question was asked; how soon would parents be notified if there was an actual threat? The district would communicate with the parents as soon as the need arose. Derek will check with district officials about sending something out to parents and have that initial communication, "we are aware of the situation", etc.

Updating Guidelines

The current guidelines haven't been updated since 2016. Derek gave a copy to each member and asked that they go over it in preparation for our next meeting, to identify changes that need to be made.

Reports

Changing the Entrance to the School

Derek has talked with a contractor about enlarging the office space and making the school entrance safer. The contractor is in the process of getting a bid together.

Budget

Derek reported that, so far, a little over 40,000 has been spent on technology. The remainder of the budget this year is earmarked for aide salaries.

Upcoming Community Council Training

There is a training that will be held on October 9th and 10th. Derek and Katie will be attending the one on the 9th at 6:30, Green Canyon High School. This training is voluntary, anyone who would like to attend is welcome.

Meeting schedule for the 2019/2020 School Year

September 17th, October 15th, November 19th, December 17th (tentative), January 21st, February 18th, March 17th, April 21st, May 19th

Next Meeting: October 15th