Community Council

Tuesday, October 19, 2021, 2:40PM. JA Taylor Elementary School Conference Room.

Council Members In Attendance

Julie Peters, Principal / Mackenzie Loo, Assistant Principal/ Megan Wells, Chair / Kara Hale, Vice Chair / Rachelle Merrill/ Carrie Beckman / Anna Larsen, Teacher representative

Cooper Holt, Collen Fry from the student council provided a report regarding student council. They attended a training at BYU. They are highlighting teachers throughout the year. In November they are doing a food pantry drive.

Introductions were provided.

Motion for approval by Rachelle Merrill and seconded by Kara Hale. All were in favor of approving the minutes from September 21, 2021 meeting.

Discussion reaffirmed the size of the council is preferred to be 5 parent members, 2 Faculty. Rachel Bronson expressed interest in joining the council. Megan Wells will follow up with Rachel to get her the information needed. Election for parents will be held in the Fall. Elections for staff will be in the Spring.

Discussion regarding meeting time and frequency resulted in a motion made by Megan Wells for the meeting to be on the second Tuesday of each month as needed from 2:30 PM-3:25 PM. (A meeting will likely not be held in December.) The motion was seconded by Rachelle Merrill. The motion was approved.

Rachelle Merrill will be over digital citizenship. Carrie Beckman will be the secretary. It was concluded that a grant writing position was not needed. Megan will work with the PTA to identify a PTA liaison or get an update from them prior to each meeting.

Mrs. Peters provided an update regarding the Trustlands money and goals for this year. Goals are focused on proficiency growth in reading and math. The majority of the funds were utilized by hiring additional staff including tutors. In addition, there are many different volunteers to assist teachers in an effort to increase proficiency. Further with additional software teachers are able to more easily record and calculate DIBELS/Acadience results.

A discussion regarding the Halloween Spooktacular included the logistics of the event. There will be a Halloween parade at 2:30 PM and a fundraiser consisting of a silent auction. Donuts will be provided to attendees. It will be held outside, likely in the back of the school.

It was requested to have Mrs. Larsen request feedback from other teachers regarding how things are going with CHAMPS and tutors. Are the teachers liking I-Ready and software for DIBELS/Acadience.

A review of upcoming training opportunities was provided.

No concerns were emailed for the agenda.

Megan Wells motioned to adjourn, Carrie 2nd. Motion passed.