**Apollo Elementary Site Council Meeting**

**Minutes**

**April 14, 2021**

[April Site Council Meeting Link](https://issaquah-wednet-edu.zoom.us/j/93169951573)

**Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 8:03am

**In attendance**: Amie Ojerio, Laurelle Graves, Sharon Wall, Jennifer Butler, Kristi Hammond, Miryam Christensen, Lauren Suttles, and Jane Harris

**Motion to Approve the December 2020 Minutes**

Meeting minutes approved

**PTA News-**

**STEM Fair –** STEM Fair month, students can send in videos of their presentations to win a gift card.

**Staff Appreciation** – Planning virtual Appreciation. Past video was wonderful, but a lot of work, a padlet may be an alternate option, Kristi Hammond will discuss options with the PTA Board.

**Playground Fundraiser** – Kristi submitted a grant to PTA to determine if there are any funds PTA can donate and will then plan to meet with the District to discuss how the playground can be upgraded due to safety concerns as soon as possible. There are concerns regarding the timeframe that current donors would not get to see the result of their donations to the playground 3-5 years from now. Laurelle Graves met with Superintendent Ron Thiele regarding the playground, the current expectation is that all schools donate 50% of the costs and they agree that this is not equitable for Apollo and Ron plans to come out personally to review the Apollo playground to see what is needed and how to support the PTA with the costs.

**Yearbook** – Currently collecting photos and planning the yearbook, PTA is requesting photos to help fill the pages. Trying to possibly have 5th grade photos with their kindergarten photos similar to Liberty seniors.

**PTA Book Fair –** Virtual Book Fair planned, communications are in progress, and it helps when teachers mention the fair in their lessons/newsletters.

**School and Administration’s News-**

**K-3 Hybrid and the 4-5 grades Concurrent Learning** – Hybrid students are now in the building and concurrent learning has begun for grades 4-5. There were some initial tech/sound issues with concurrent learning, but they have been addressed to the level that our building sound systems can support without upgrades. Teachers have worked extremely hard to implement and teach this via this method.

**LRCII Full Time** – April 19th the students begin full day in-person learning 4 days a week with lunch provided, these students are considered a cohort and remain together throughout the day. The BASC students are also in the building, but the schedules are adjusted so that the students are not mixed together. Wednesdays remain with remote learning for LRCII students.

**School Board Presentation**- Past presentations usually focus on data, however this year due to the lack of academic data and the differences in attendance with remote learning, the main focus this year was regarding support for the students and teachers and reviewing results of the engagement trackers which are also reviewed in the Tier 2/PBSES meetings to determine which students may need additional support.

**Highly Capable** – Process changed quite a bit this year with a nomination process followed by a screener and the qualifying results are not expected to go out until summer. Sarah Shero completed the screener tests for the Apollo students who were nominated.

**Class Placement** – Beginning the Class Placement process, the initial focus will be on ELL, LRC, and SAGE programs to be reviewed via zoom, class placement cards, and spreadsheets, more emphasis to be placed on teacher feedback.

**Kindergarten Screener**- Paras completed the kindergarten screener for approximately 35 kids and the data will be used to determine which students need additional support in the summer Pre-K program. In addition and Kindergarten summer school program will be held for those students that need additional support from this year.

**Summer School** – Summer school is being planned centrally at the District for grades 1-5 to support the students nominated as needing the most support

**Old Business-**

**Clorox Wipes –** Clorox wipes from last year are still in the PTA room, they have been removed from the school supply list for the next year. Jane Harris will check with Facilities to see what our options are and Kristi Hammond will get more information on how the desks are cleaned at Maywood.

**New Business-**

**5th Grade Promotion –** Highly likely that 5th grade promotion will be the same as last year with a parade. Kristi Hammond requested that the parade be held on a Wednesday so a majority of the teachers could attend.

**Playground gates** – will remind Susana to have the subs unlock the gates for the evenings/weekends.

**Meeting Adjourned -**

**Next meeting is June 2, 2021**