

Joseph Cook Elementary School

In attendance – Nicole Burnham, Ashley Alder, Natalie Argyle, Sharlyn Ellison, Angela Floyd, Cliff Calhoun, Roger King, Alzina Barnhill and Terri Strawn

Agenda: Meeting commenced at 4:00pm

- 1. Welcome & Introductions Nicole welcomed the council and led out introductions
- **2. Review and approve minutes**—Angela arrived late so the council reviewed and approved minutes on their own

3. Principal's Report on school items

- a) Extended Day Kindergarten data We discussed the result of offering Extended Day Kindergarten at Cook. Of the 31 students invited to Extended Day Kindergarten 27 attended at an average of 85% of the time. The focus of extended day was Sound Recognition, Blending, and Sight Word Recognition. Goals were set to have at least 95% Sound Recognition and 50% Sight Words. Achievement of 71.86% Sound Recognition and 27.7% Sight Words. It was concluded that students in the "Low-Middle" group achieved the most growth.
- b) Attendance goal progress We do not have an attendance goal like we have had in the past but attendance has improved a little from the same time last year.

 Aug -Jan 2016-2017 96.56% Aug Jan 2017-2018 96.91% Increase of 0.35%

4. Current ideas, questions, needs, and/or concerns from Council and/or Community

- a) Community priorities
 - Nicole shared that a parent had contacted her concerning the lack of supervision in the morning before school with the Kindergarteners and 1st Graders. The parent noticed that there seemed to be lots of pushing and shoving going on. Mr. King said there is no one on morning duty with the Kindergarteners and 1st Graders because there are no funds to pay for them. Mr. King said that there has been an increase in the number of students being dropped off at school before 8:45am. He suggested that parents be reminded that students are to not be dropped off until 8:45am (8:30am for breakfast eaters).
 - We also were given mid-year statistics supporting our SIP Math Goal. We were shown Math Fact Fluency stats for the whole student body and then broken down by grade level. These stats came from the Reflex Math computer program students are currently using. Students across the board are making great improvements in their math skills. We decided that the Reflex Math program

- has been a very helpful maintenance tool for students to maintain their math skills.
- We were also given an update on individual Grade Level Goals. All grades are working towards their goal with much success.

5. Parent and Community Involvement

a) TBD

6. Trust Lands Items, Budget, or Updates

- We reviewed the 2017-2018 Budget to see where we are at on our spending. We are staying on track when it comes to the bottom line. We did overspend by about \$1000 in the Equipment category of monies budgeted but we have underspent about that same amount in our Software category so they offset each other. A copy of the budget can be found on the school website under Community Council.
- We also discussed the need for 2-4 community council members to attend the Learning First Planning Day on Wednesday, March 28th at the District Offices. This planning day is meant for Principal and Community Councils to review achievements, identify needs, set goals and action plans for 2018-2019 school year, and set budget for new year.

7. Student Wellness Plan and Update

a) TBD

8. Other items for discussion and/or future agenda items:

a) Computer Safety Program – We are unable to schedule an assembly for 2017-2018 school year with NetSmartz. However, Mrs. Pendergast was able to secure a NetSmartz Assembly for 09/28/18. We also decided to include some Internet Safety Tips in our next PTA Newsletter. We also discussed the teachings provided by our Computer Teachers for students concerning Internet Safety.

Ashley Alder motioned to adjourn the meeting at 4:30pm, Cliff Calhoun seconded the motion and the council unanimously voted in favor. Our next meeting will be held February 21st.