## Orchard Elementary Community Council October 22, 2018 Minutes

#### Present:

Mike Volmar, Linda Greenwood, Maria Duggar, Lori Jacobsen, Leigh Okleberry, Alina Ballard, Camie Nielson, Elizabeth Bulfin, Megan Gordon, Kerri Masson, Virginia Peery, Carolyn Wiberg

Approved Minutes from Sept 24 Meeting

# Safety:

Update on vestibule; approved by District. Camera and buzz-in button are currently outside building. Waiting on phones to be ordered/installed. Vestibule will be inside school, with double sets of doors, one facing towards office. Discussed possibly having a rope that would guide visitors to office. The District controls the locks on the doors currently. When new system is in place, all doors will lock during school hours. During events (large amounts of volunteers or visitors), tickets will be sent out by teachers, to streamline check-in.

Discussed anti-bullying training in place for teachers; empowering kids to speak up. "If you see something, say something."

Discussed parking/crossing guard issues with new construction within our school boundaries. Some safety concerns with lack of crossing guard in busy roundabout.

Drills will now be announced beforehand.

District-wide, if teachers decide to conceal-carry firearms, they must carry 100% of the time.

### School Improvement Plan:

SIP is according to plan. Implementing Engineering is Elementary program. It is similar to Project Lead the Way, but more cost-effective. Mindfulness lessons scheduled to start in January. Council will review score data next meeting.

# **Buddy Bench Update:**

Currently in process for an Eagle Scout Project.

#### Other:

Parents feel like Imagine Math frustrations have leveled-out.

Discussed available trainings, possibly having one at our meeting. Email questions to Ms. Greenwood.

Discussed finding out more information on a program called Epic to possibly implement into next year's School Improvement Plan. It is a reading app that can be used in school and at home simultaneously. Reads out loud, has quizzes for comprehension. Ms. Greenwood is researching further on the cost. Two teachers at the school currently use or have used in their classroom. It could benefit low/struggling readers, while also being helpful for all readers.