

Sand Springs Community Council

Aug. 25, 2016

MINUTES

Those present: Jody Schaap, Melanie Smith, Nancy Watkins, Cheryce Whitesides, Meggan Nichols, John Speth, Kerri Kingston

Absent: Pat Smith (excused), Sara Gorham (Excused)

Visitor: Miranda Rasband

Previous Minutes were approved (motioned to approve by John Speth and Seconded by Nancy Watkins.)

Upcoming elections:

We discussed the possible upcoming elections for Community Council if we have enough interest to need an election. A parent is needed from Areas B, C & F. Miranda Rasband is willing to be the representative for Area B. Jody sent out a couple of emails asking for volunteers, but we still need someone from Areas C and F. Nancy will email and FB for Area F. Jody will talk to Becky Squire to get a recommendation for someone for Area C. The nomination deadline has been extended one week.

The parent/school employee ratio was also discussed. There needs to be two more parent members than school employees. Our council has 7 parents and 5 school employees. Jody is also checking on the stipulation for parent employees to see if they can participate.

Count nominations for teacher representatives:

Julie LaRocco - 13 votes

Sarah Johnson - 10 votes

Terra Moss - 7 votes

Julie LaRocco and Sarah Johnson will be the teacher reps for this year and Terra Moss will be the alternate.

Calendar for the year:

We will meet as a community council on Aug 25, Oct. 3, Nov. 7, 2016 and Jan 9, Mar. 6, April 10 (1 week later due to Spring Break) and May 1, 2017.

SIP Trust Lands budget addendum:

After reviewing our SIP plan from last year, we have a surplus that needs to be spent. Monies we set aside for teacher aids in reading were not needed because the district supplied the aids due to such big classes in upper grades. Also, the DIBBLES testing program was funded by the District.

We brainstormed ways to use the money to be under the 10% threshold required by law. We're checking into a Digital Citizenship Assembly and additional parent meeting given by Hank Smith. Other ideas include giving money for educational field trips or adding Math tutors. Funding a morning math club that focuses on growth for individual students (high and low ends), Pulling out 4-6th graders one class at a time for STEM training by professionals, or adding more to the coding with MESA.

Consensus was made to get two math aids (tutors) to help 5-6th graders with multiplication/division facts and do a Morning Math Club to supplement what aids will be doing during the day. Math Software and increased Collaboration days (including specific Professional Development training embedded), will also be added. Jody will write up the addendum, email it to community council to approve, and get revisions added to our SIP plan so we will be compliant.

Other:

Clara Caldwell, our school counselor, will get information on attendance month (i.e. videos/emails)

John Speth motioned to adjourn and Melanie Smith seconded it.

Adjourned until **Oct. 3, 2016** at 4:00 in the library.