

STEWART COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 21, 2019, 3:00pm

Conference room in the 1st grade hall

Members Present:

Amanda Keller, Brooke Haag, Amy Neal, Rachelle Boulton, Heather Taylor, Laura Charchenko, Heather Taylor (PTA President)

Members Absent:

Jen Christensen, Gina Hirst

Minutes

1. 2019 Trainings
 - a. Rachelle and Heather attended two different trainings
 - b. Key takeaways:
 - i. We need to review the rules of order and some other Community Council requirements, to ensure that we are fully compliant
 - ii. We need to make sure that our focus remains on the plans – Digital Citizenship, School Safety, TSSP and the data
 - iii. Fundraising is not a requirement or a function of Community Councils, although we have been involved in that for many years
 - iv. We need to make sure that fundraising is not our focus as a Community Council, although we can support those efforts
2. STEAMraiser
 - a. Heather has reviewed the data and rated the prizes by success; we can better focus our efforts in the future on prizes that generated the most interest
 - b. The thermometer created a lot of buzz among the students
 - c. Heather polled a lot of parents to determine what aspects of the fundraiser were most effective – different things were incentives for different people
 - d. The class incentives created a bit of taunting between students/classes – something to consider for future years
 - e. There was a lot of lost classroom time – teachers are grateful for the fundraising effort and the success, but it may not be sustainable
3. Fundraising
 - a. Proposal from parents to combine Community Council and PTA fundraising
 - b. One time ask a year that would fund PTA needs, school needs, and classroom needs
 - c. We would need to ensure transparency in how the money is spent
 - d. In order to allocate funds between different needs, we would create a formula to divvy the money and set priorities if money did not cover all the identified needs
 - e. We need to make sure that we are not fundraising for fundraising's sake
 - f. All of our Community Council fundraising in the past has had a real purpose with a real need driving the effort
4. Trust Lands Report
 - a. The report is officially on the website
5. Digital Citizenship
 - a. The digital citizenship requirement will be met through computer prep
 - b. We would prefer it towards the beginning of the year and then review basic internet policy throughout the year
 - c. Brooke will contact the new state-sponsored vendor – Digital Response-Ability to set up
6. Next Month: discussion on TAs and class requests