

## Community Council

December 11, 2019

- Budget School Improvement Plan
  - HOPE Squad, 16 kids chose
  - In January, lessons begin for HOPE Squad
  - 5-minute lessons will be taught in library to all students
  - Hoping to teach the Student Council the lessons as well
- Nearpod
  - Only a handful of teachers have used it (requested admin to observe). Hoping to increase usage. Looking to send out a survey in February to get teachers opinions on the program. Is it worth the annual license? Do we want to renew it next year? Cost \$3500.
- InfiniD Lab
  - Within the upper grades, everyone has a job now, which allows for more participation. Will get teacher feedback in February to see if we want to continue the program next year.
  - Teachers don't usually participate. Students step up more without the teacher there.
- Community Council Parent Awareness
  - Mentioned in Newsletter. Will work to post a week before each meeting. Need to make parents aware before Spring election.
  - Send a beginning of the year email. Send a monthly reminder. Invite parents to come and see. Make parents aware that they can come regularly or just once in a while. Invite parents to reach out to current members.
  - Post on Facebook Page. Explain the difference between voting members and attendees. Parents can provide ideas and input; they just can't vote.
- Drop off and Pickup
  - Teacher now helping to guide traffic and keep the kids safe.
  - Kristen will send emails to make parent aware.
- Election week
  - April 27- May 1
  - Election is in May
- Kindergarten Roundup
  - Flyer for awareness in packet.
  - Community Council member to come speak to parents.
  - Kristen will find timing for Kindergarten Roundup.
  - Look at doing Roundup in the evening to better work with parent schedules.
- Planning SIP Goals
  - Total enrollment is 527, male dominant.
  - Attendance- 2 preschool. 95% attendance. Kindergarten has the least attendance. First, Third, and Fourth have 96% attendance.
  - Build relationships with students. We no longer have attendance goals because that is up to the parents.
  - Students can still succeed without home support, it is just more difficult.
  - Less services due to not being a Title 1 school. No after school program or math aide.

- Second grade did a summer reading program. Looking into a reading program or club.
- Ballroom Dance started this year.
- Needs assessment was completed at the beginning of the year.
- Need 40% of the student body on free or reduced lunch to be a Title 1 school. We are 45 students short.
- Free and reduced lunch translation to other languages is in progress. We had a person available at back to school night.
- We have a full-time behavior aide and ESL aide. Would like another full-time administrator. Are we able to use SIP money for an administrator? Kristen will look into it.
- Put out computers at Parent Teacher Conferences to help parents apply for free or reduced lunch.
- DIBELS Scores
  - Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> identifies as needing assistance. The District comes out to work with the teachers. The scores are okay, but we are focusing on the growth. Will look into splitting the scores with PALS and without PALS.
  - DIBELS scores are available right away. Will get testing times and set a date to review the scores in Community Council.
  - 4-6 grades DIBELS are not digital, they will take a little longer to get scores.
  - Add time to calendar to review scores in next months agenda. We will review scores on the projector.
  - Possibly have Susan Kagie visit next month to discuss Data and to show grade progress over time for each group.
- Behavior
  - Class party at 100 points. Once all classes have 100 points, we have a school wide activity. In December we are having a Pajama Day with Photo Booth.
  - SWISS- Behavior/ Incidents at recess. Most referrals are playground related. Day breakdown shows Wednesdays have the most referrals. Starting in January, we will push a “We Care Wednesday” theme. The report is based off of incidents or reports that are sent to the office. Referrals by grade show Kindergarten has the most referrals. District wide, students are beginning school with less social skills. This is changing how we teach. We are pushing more social/ emotional learning. We have aides during power hour that assist with this.
  - Behavior Plan additional budget can go to an aide if funding is still available. Kristen will see if we need an addendum. Community Council agrees a Kindergarten aide would be beneficial.
  - \$7K was put aside for HOPE Squad. They may only spend \$4k due to starting the program a few months into the year. May be able to use some funds for a Kindergarten Aide.
  - Will look into Kindergarten partnering with Sixth grade to aide the younger students.