

Community Council Meeting

October 23, 2020

- We went over the School Improvement Plan and the changes the principal, Neesha Killpack, would like the Community Council to vote on.
 - The school data was discussed, and it showed students scoring lower on the beginning of the year DIBELS scores than the year before.
 - Diagnostic testing has been done on students below benchmark to try and fill those gaps.
 - We are ability grouping students for intervention groups.
 - We need more money to pay TAs time to run the intervention groups.
 - We need money allocated for Teacher laptops
 - This would help teachers the access at home to help students and prepare.
 - Neesha Killpack sent out survey to find out which teacher really needed a laptop and would use it.
 - The question was brought up by Adam Christensen on utilizing docking stations.
 - The district controls the refresh money for docking stations.
- Goal #3 - Neesha Killpack wants to take this goal out altogether.
 - Kim Johnston, last year's principal, did not get the money paid in time for the materials for this year.
 - Teachers feel like this is something they can forgo with everything they are dealing with during the pandemic.
 - Dani Sloan brought up the Infinity Lab and that it may be beneficial to use t to meet the STEM standards. Also, kids love it.
 - Neesha Killpack pointed out that science materials were purchased for that very reason.
 - Teachers do not have time to do the Infinity Lab right now. They do not want to see it disappear but would like to table it until we are back to 5 days a week.
 - We need more training for teachers on how to use the Infinity Lab.
 - Dani Sloan will email information regarding the Infinity Lab.
 - We may be able to use the \$10,000 overage to help pay for the Infinity Lab if we can implement it this year.
- Goal #4 - We need SEL funding to help students that are struggling this year socially and emotionally.
 - We need the funds for improving the way we implement SEL.
 - Counselor would run HOPE squad.

- Amy Choate asked about the calming kits we want to supply each room for students. Neesha Killpack explained what was in them and how they will be used.
- Adam Long motioned to accept the changes to the School Improvement Plan. Emily Van Orman seconded the motion. All members voted to pass the new School improvement plan.
- Neesha Killpack gave the teachers so much credit for being positive and working hard.
- Dani Sloan asked about the money from the Fun Run and if we made up enough money for a marquee.
 - There was almost enough money. With the help of the PTA we can purchase it.
 - A parent suggested we use some money to do a service project for others.
 - We will be doing the food pantry contest to help those in need in January.
- Amy Choate asked about grants to raise money.
 - Neesha Killpack asked what would the money be needed for?
 - There was no specific need for a grant currently.
- Neesha Killpack's biggest goal is to keep teacher morale up as much as possible.
- We will meet the 3rd Friday of every Month. We will not meet in December.