SCC Meeting Aug. 24, 2020

Present: Marian Broadhead, Kristie Christensen., Lizzie Jolley, Beth Hartung-Soria, Joseph R. Nielsen, Merrie Hughes, Dawnell Moon, Deb Gordon, Stacy Perkins, Ashlee Moncur, Lindsey Schou, Sam Bennett, Jessica Hintze

Jess Gordon, Andy Montero, Danielle Montero

Parents attending: Troy Davis, Heather Hendrikson

Motion to begin meeting and to accept the agenda and minutes made seconded and approved with correction to the date of this meeting in the minutes from our last meeting.

Cairperson’s report – Merrie: She deferred to Marian.

Principal’s report – Marian:

She presented Board Policy I-11 / Teaching Religion. Board policy and State law prohibit the promotion or encouragement of any religion or belief system. Religion and belief systems may be taught as a part of history or culture showing their effect on people and events.

Marian presented House Bill 58 requiring the school to have a plan to confiscate and dispose of any confiscated tobacco or alcoholic products. Lisa is in charge of implementation and teaching the dangers to students in co-operation with the classroom teachers.

Marian then explained the District’s policy and measures to filter and monitor online behavior of students and employees to ensure the safe and ethical use of digital resources.

Janet and Suzanne are working hard to keep track of and to register students and to address parent’s questions regarding school.

Marian has been guiding the implementation of our School Start Plan. In looking over lessons and class planning of teachers she has been very
impressed. Kristie asked if students were expected to be online the entire day. Beth explained that teachers are expected to keep their Zoom class open the entire school day, but there will be time blocks where students will be working either with the teacher and other time blocks for independent work. Troy was concerned that students will be expected to be online from 8:15 to 1:45. Marian explained that the teachers are to be available those hours but students on-line time requirement will be less and more varied. Beth said that though there is a list of expectations from the District, there is still some question and varying of interpretation, particularly Wednesday. Marian explained how Special Education students will have the opportunity to have their needs met with conditional one-on-one instruction. Sam stated that the Board’s intention was that Wednesday be open to give flexibility to teachers to address student’s need. Beth talked about the issue of delays in the recording and posting of lessons (typically 24 hours). Kristie said she will look into a personal work-around. Stacy asked if attendance would be taken and if regular grades would be given. Sam said it was the intention of the Board to return to as close as possible to the former attendance and grading norms. We talked about some of the issues and questions regarding Canvas and other teaching platforms.

Marian presented to revised Land Trust Goals and use of monies. Parapros will be used to support and address the needs of students adversely affected by the Spring 2020 closure across grade levels and homerooms. She reviewed the Land Trust and TSSA budget and plan. Stacy and Troy asked if the need for computers, other hardware and software we talked about before were addressed. Marian reported that the district had stepped up to purchase what teachers requested in Hardware, and she had been able to address those needs. A motion to approve the Land Trust Goals was made, seconded and approved. It will now go to the Board.

Reports:

C&A – Kristie: nothing to report from C&A. Referring back to the survey of teacher’s needs, she asked what other needs teachers had expressed beyond electronic – Marian reported that there had been items
brought up books and teaching programs. Marian reported that these have been addressed.

    ELP – Lizzie: They will take care of their first of year business in conjunction with the School’s back-to-school night meetings.

    PTA- Ashley: Megan Buhler will be the PTA President. The next meeting is scheduled on Sept 3 at 7:00, via ZOOM. It was noted that his is in conflict with back-to-school night. Deb will bring that to Megan’s attention.

    Neighborhood – Stacy: nothing to report. Thanks to Marian and the Faculty who are working to make this school year successful.

    Staff – Beth: Reported that the first 2 weeks will be used for assessing students and going over how to access CANVAS and other classroom expectations and schedules.

    Other: Do we want to address membership now or in our next meeting when absent members are here? We decided to wait until our next meeting to give more members an opportunity to be in attendance. We decided that for the 2020-2021 school year, SCC meetings would be on the first Monday of the month (or second Monday when the first is a holiday). Start time will be 6:00. Our next meeting will be Sept. 14th at 6:00 via ZOOM. Meeting links will be sent out 24-48 hours in advance.