

Monday May 4, 2020

SCC – notes by Beth Hartung-Soria

In attendance: Marian, Beth, Debbie, Stacy, Liz, Merrie, Dawnell, Jessica Hintze, Matt Hintze, Sam, Kristie, Ashlee, Lindsay

Marian made a moved to approve minutes. Dawnell 2<sup>nd</sup> it and it was passed.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from our last meeting (March). This was seconded and passed. There was no April meeting due to Covid19 Pandemic School Closure.

Chairperson's report – Merrie: She said she had nothing to report. Like other parents, the chair has been working and teaching children.

Principal's report – Marian:

Landtrust report - Shelly Rich is working on a web site for Art instruction. Therefore she continues to get paid as a working school employee. School Parapro's are also working in various capacities and continue to get paid. The school's purchase of Math books went through at \$6,000 versus the expected \$10,000, resulting in a significant savings. Therefor, with these and other savings/increased funds, the school has \$6,000 more to go to hiring and paying parapro's and for further payroll related expenditures. Marian thanked the Committee for reviewing the draft plan for our Landtrust budget. The plan was submitted to School Board and reviewed by Mr. Namelka. In summary we approved a budget to spend our Landtrust funds for targeted support of math indtruction, helping students at risk academically and supporting the Art program. More funding for math will come out of the TSSA funding. When we get The LAndstrust budget back from the School Board with their approval we will have a vote to finalize it.

New Staff - Our new 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, replacing Jan Belnap who is retiring this year, was assigned to our school by the District from their placement pool. She has on sabbatical leave and was working at Westminster College. Her name is Amber Pulley, and she has taught at Highland Park in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. Her name is Amber Pulley and she was hired once before for Hawthorne about 10 years ago but it ended up not happening. She will work with Julie H. and Julie F. to get up to speed for 6<sup>th</sup> grade

- All other staff is coming back. We have a teacher for every grade level in all three programs. We have two ELP 4<sup>th</sup> grade. The money for 2 ELP 4<sup>th</sup> grades came from the district since it is a district program and not from Hawthorne's money pool. have a final
- Not all paras are coming back. Brokley, Renee are coming back. Hope to have Tommy back. We are consider how best to use paras.
- Registration 2021 you will get an email and or letter. This is your intent to register. On July 15<sup>th</sup> you can register as normal online.
- Perspective kindergarten- reach out to those you know in neighborhood to get their intent in. We are not sure when we will have an in-person registration.
- Our numbers are down overall. Neighborhood classes are low in 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

Deb: When will they be able to finish ELP testing for kindergarten placement? Test date was March 12 and that is when they closed everything down. (Marian – we do not know)

Kristi: Lucy ELP placement letter came in – she suspects that 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> letters will arrive soon.

Dawnel= How and when will they administer 6<sup>th</sup> grade ELP testing to see if students can go into the magnet program for Clayton. (Marian – should happen in the fall.)

Marian:

- there are questions about the computer devices. We have given out 50 devices. We still have enough carts and computers to start school. We are not worried right now on how to get them back.
- SIC and Staff met today. We reviewed a draft of the calendar. It has to be reviewed before we can talk and share more about it. It does have a fall break.
- There will be no more to an early start or change of schedule for buses right now. (Sam says it is scheduled to begin 21-22)
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade promotion is going to be signs for students to put on their yards. No child's name will be on the sign as it is a security issue. (Ashlee adds... PTA is purchasing a yearbook for every 6<sup>th</sup> grader as a gift and it will be mailed to them. Merili reported this to Ashlee to share out.) (Kristi – maybe thinks she will organize a parade or something to celebrate 6<sup>th</sup> graders.)
- Any questions that should be brought to the Principals meeting please let me know.

Ashlee: Teacher appreciation will be a gift card. We would like to maybe do something more in the fall.

Dawnell: for a district question: will students need to be tested in the fall to see where they are in their academics? (Marian says teachers are ready to assess and do what needs to be done in the fall.)

Debbie: Clayton PTA sent an email that the Navajo Nation needs donations. Any supplies can go in a donation bin behind the school. Spread the word.

ELP Liz : No SCC meeting in a while. Nothing to report. They do need to do a meeting for voting purposes and the ELP budget.

Neighborhood Stacey: Chocolates – have been answered in an email today. Money will be refunded.

C and A Kristi: nothing but next year SCC will need to find a new C and A rep as her daughter is moving to ELP.(Jessica H says she can be the C and A parent rep)

### SCC Meeting May 4, 2020

Notes by Joseph R. Nielsen

Present: Marian, Merrie, Beth, Dawnell, Liz, Sam, Joseph, Stacy, Ashlee, Kristie, Deb, Jessica, Lindsay

Staff – Beth: we met today as SIC and Faculty. We are looking for more information from the District but for now we know there will be 3 grades – (V)ery engaged, (E)ngaged and (Q)uarantine. Reportcards will come from the District. We don't know what we will be facing as teachers next year – we may have to do some emotional teaching before we begin academic teaching. Marian talked about how we are looking to implement the new Science Standards and curriculum. For the most part teachers will keep the same schedules for their classes as last year. Dawnell asked about the proposals/plan to change to a late-start schedule. Sam stated that the original plan was to prepare for implementation in Fall of 2021. This is likely still the case.

Staff is really feeling very uncertain about what we will be facing in terms of our students needs and how we can use the ParaPro's to best advantage. Sam suggested that we can wait until Sept. 2020 to turn in our final School Improvement Plan. Marian proposed that we wait to decide until we have more information about what/where our students are emotionally, academically, and physically. Kristie asked if the District had plans to increase the resources to support Student's emotional health. Beth stated we had asked in our Faculty meeting about using our social worker/mental health staff to support increased needs. Sam was asked if the District was able to put more resources to this effort. He said that the reality of the situation is that the District doesn't know what the Legislature is going to fund in the wake of Covid19 economic downturn.

Other: Sam said that in response to the question of taking care of a school garden over the summer, he had a person to contact. He gave that name to Kristie.

Possible next meeting will be June 1<sup>st</sup> via electronic media – just as this one was.

Motion to adjourn made, seconded and passed.