

M. Lynn Bennion Elementary School
School Community Council Meeting
October 25, 2018

Those in attendance: Carrie Chalverus, Erin Freeman, Sharlon Harding, Tisha Eggleston, Dahlia Cordova, and Pia Gonzalez – Spanish Translator

Meeting conducted by Carrie Chalverus, SCC Chair

- Welcome
 - Karen Pynes and Laura De La Cruz were excused from the meeting so that could volunteer in the school store today.
- Bennion Buck Store
 - Had to postpone until today because volunteers did not come on the 23rd. Laura and Karen are covering the store today for us.
 - We are needing more volunteers for future store dates. Next time is December 11th. Erin will coordinate volunteer sign ups for it.
- Detaining after school
 - Went over handout
 - District asked to share this information with SCC
 - Need to communicate this information with all parents. SCC concerned about how it is worded. Suggestion to send small statement on Class Dojo with reference to full statement/policy at District if they want more information.
- 90 Day Plan
 - Next data collection will be on October 30th.
 - Focusing on reciprocal teaching and student engagement.
 - Last collection of data showed we were where we were last year, so have not lost and ground.
- Safety Survey
 - Looked a data shared by Ms. Cordova.
 - SCC feels that opening up the discussion on what bullying actually is, making sure the students understand it might help improve results.
 - Will be doing the survey again in January.
 - Concern brought up about bullying that is happening in places where adults are not present (like the bathrooms). What can be done to help?
 - Teacher have been talking in community circles about what bullying is vs just being mean
 - Counselor is also discussing issue in her counseling lessons
 - Members want to have students be able to discuss appropriate responses to being mean, and how to build their community.
 - The shared file has resources for teachers to be able to use.
 - Character traits in daily announcements – examples are being shared to help explain
 - Suggested to send home information weekly about that week's character trait, and encourage parents to work with students at home.
 - "Fill Your bucket" books was suggested

- SCC training videos.
 - Carrie will send out the links to them again to all members.
 - Will also put the links on Class Dojo for other parents to view as well.
- 2017-2018 Home Visits , Professional Development and Eureka Math
 - Report is coming
- Calendar
 - See agenda.
- Suggested to have an assembly about being kind.
 - Dahlia will check into it, but budget constraints may be an issue. SCC suggested looking into fundraiser of donors to help pay for it.
- Principal's Lunch
 - Was sponsored by Jimmy John's the last couple of years, they will now be helping another school rather than us.
 - Dahlia suggested using PTO funds for upcoming lunches. Carrie motioned for the approval to use those funds. Erin seconded it, all approved.
- Halloween Parade
 - Will be 1:00pm on October 31, students will walk through the school. Into the auditorium then go out and walk around the block ending at our evacuation site (church building across the street). They will then come back to school to receive donuts from Banbury Cross in their classrooms.
- Community Garden
 - Erin's family will be moving in year or two, so she is not sure it is a good idea to start it with her in charge, especially if there is not someone else ready to take it over. If we do do it, the first grant is due by November 1st.
- Parent Volunteers
 - Erin will be coordinating, working with Sharlon to set it up.
- Polar Express
 - Activity will be on December 13th. Will need volunteers to help with the wrapping party on December 6th, as well as on the 13th to decorate the auditorium while the students are at the Gateway watching the movie.
 - Concern about lunch that day. Will discuss with the lunchroom about sack lunches for everyone on that day.