

MINUTES

Innovations SCC Minutes

1/11/2021 | 5:30 pm | Meeting called to order by Bonnie Wilson

In Attendance

Joie Ellis, Franz Villate, Bonnie Wilson, Mohamed, Tabitha Thompson, Chris Walter, Jillian Olmstead, Blanca Corral, Pam Padersen, Karen, Brent Wilson, Nancy Fisher.

Welcome by Bonnie Wilson

We will be meeting other month. We have only 2 more SCC meetings this school year....
March 8th and May 10th.

Mohamed Baayd -

Mohamed is our new School Board Member. He spoke for a few minutes.. Key points:

Looking forward to working with everyone here. New to him. Excited to learn from those who have been in the field for so long. He would like to make sure students are well prepared for the future. These students will carry on mission of keeping American Dream alive. He doesn't want to promise that everything will go through. But, there will be a clear communication path between us. Jan 5 Board Meeting... Ended at Midnight. In regards to the opening of school for Elementary. There was a previous decision, they cannot revise this. The Superintendent will provide a report. Requested that parents have a choice to be in person or virtual. Also asked that teachers not be overworked between the two platforms. So many politicians twisting arms and it is painful. He will put people on the spot when it's important. Enough is enough. Lives are on the line. That comes first before politics. Vaccination... we were counting on enough vaccines for all teachers. As of right now, vaccinations start on 1/14 3-7 pm for 55 and older teachers and staff. Each week, we were have more dosages as each week passes. Headed in the right directions. Team is fantastic. First time in hx to have a minority of majority on board. He has 3 kids all in our school district. Originally from Morocco. He speaks French/Arabic. He will be delighted to help these families. Reach out via text message. 801-358-0254 is his cell phone number. Questions? Discussed his educational background. Many inspirational words!!

SIC Update – Joie Ellis

Main focus has been... how are we going to get students back into building? Focus on helping seniors who are struggling. They have sent out letters. Those seniors are meeting with Pam. Making individualized plans to help support them. Also, sending out surveys regarding summer school very soon. Please watch for that.

Principal Updates

- Franz Villate spoke regarding Recruitment Committee – We currently have 250 students, would like to have 400. Plan is to send promotional video to all SLCSD middle schools. Will have a parent information session on 2/3 @ noon and 2/4 @ 6:00 pm. Please get out the word. Will also use Social

Media platforms. Printing 1600 postcards that we are sending to all 8th grade students. Mohamed would like to see us reach out to community leaders to include all populations within our community. He will provide Pam with some contact information.

- Higher Education Report – Pam shared data about higher education. Innovations is doing very well. . We had 42% of our graduates enroll in college 1st year out of college. ACT scores indicated that a certain number of kids were ready for college math and English. Our students’ 24% taking college math, 24% have previous credits, virtually no students from Innovations taking remedial English. We are the lowest percentage in the state of students who needed to take remedial math.
- Joie Ellis discussed summer school plan ... he is in charge of summer school this year. Before winter break he sent out a survey regarding summer school. Tomorrow he will send out a survey regarding summer school. Data will be analyzed and a summer school plan will be put together. They need to see numbers, etc before a plan can be put in place. AT the end of February, he would like to have sign ups for summer school. In March he will have a more solid plan in place. Goal to complete 4 classes. Will attend one class for 90 minutes, SEL component, second class for 90 minutes. Last 50 minutes, they will have a designated room for individualized study. Trying to get them to gain structure so they know what to do in the Fall. This will last 2 weeks, then they will have new 2 classes. They would be able to complete classes within 2 week period. Some kids would also be put into individual study classes. Won't be “alone”. Tutor would be checking in with them to help support them daily.
- -Science team – Nancy Fisher is the new Biology and Earth Science teacher. She and Chris Walter are building a new science room. More hands on. Plants and critters. Experiments with brine shrimp. Have chemically treated tables. Chem/bio stuff in the works!
- Website Updates – Jillian shared Rules of Conduct document. It will be added to the Innovations website to view.

Calendar Dates

- Jan 11 @ 5:30 PM – SCC with parents
- Jan 12 @ 2:30 PM – Faculty Meeting
- Jan 13 @ 8:00 AM – Accreditation
- Jan 13 (All day) – RI and STAR freeze
- Jan 18 – No School – MLK
- Jan 19 @ 2:30 Faculty Meeting
- Jan 20 @ 8:00 AM - Accreditation
- Jan 26 – End of Term 2

Next Meeting

March 8 | 5:30 pm