School Community Council

Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2021 – 5:30 PM

Attendance

Jack Davis          Matthew Regier
Joey McNamee       Trisha Reynolds
April Reynolds      Franz Monroy
Jolie Breitling     Bianca Shepard
Mary Lou Oland-Wong Leah Jaramillo
Kalina Potts       Ashley Dunaway
Janna Finerfrock   Tisha Eggleston

November Meeting Minutes Approval

- Motion by Leah J. to approve, Seconded by Ashley D.  Approved unanimously.

Principal's Report

- Girls on the Run: Girls on the Run participated in a 5k on November 13th. Great experience for participants. Will have the Girls on the Run program in the Spring.

- Food Drive: Very successful this year. Goal was $2,000, but $4,578 was raised. Food bank can turn this donation in 17,762 meals.

- Snowball Gift Giving Project: Every snowball has been adopted.

- Trimester Student Awards: Will be performing via the broadcast. First trimester will be recognitions for citizenship. Parents of children who are being recognized will be notified and they are exploring how to allow them to tune into the podcast. Each classroom will choose one student for the trimester.

- PE Teacher: Still have not be able to hire a new PE teacher, but are continuing efforts there.

SIC Report

- Locker Use: Use of lockers was discussed. Some teachers would like students to be able to use lockers. Challenge has been how to integrate district procedures for cleaning without overburdening custodial staff in addition to hallway crowding. Consensus decision was to maintain status quo.
- Recess Expectations: Want to post student recess expectations. This will be developed with the teachers and then presented to students to ensure consistency.

- Busses: Some buses are arriving late. Challenges at the district with substitute drivers. Exploring issues with bus schedules and flows. 10-12 busses – 2 fleets come and go, so timing is important. Question to April relating to how long students are on the bus at Emerson. Some ELP students are on the bus for 45 minutes. ELP busses tend to come later – 15-20 minutes.

- Custodian Recognition/Appreciation: Gift baskets for custodians. Contributions from faculty by grade level. SCC members discussed potential of contributing to this recognition effort, and recognition efforts for nutrition staff and para pros.

**PTA Report**

- Smashburger Fundraiser: Big success. Proceeds will go to the library. Took a long time for many to get the food – more popular than expected.

- T-Shirts: The PTA is trying to get rid of the vintage Emerson spirit wear.

- Reflections: Reflections went well. PTA giving certificates and a $2 bill for participants. Barnes and Noble Gift cards for winners.

- Stem Night: Science fair is January 20th. Stem Night will be March 17th – mostly outside, some may be in the gym. PTA has formed a planning committing and are looking for vendors and volunteers.

**SCC Overview and Purpose**

- Jack and Joey gave members a brief overview presentation on the purposes and goals of SCCs based on SCC leadership training materials.

**SCC 2021-2022 Priorities/Project Brainstorming**

- SCC members were asked to brainstorm ideas for certain SCC initiatives outside the Land Trust Plan to consider in more detail during the January meeting.

- Past initiatives were discussed, including dress code reforms, transportation and traffic flow improves around Emerson, and the food recovery program.

- Potential initiatives might include appreciation/recognition efforts for nutrition and para pro staff.