School Community Council

Meeting Agenda
January 11, 2023 – 5:30 PM

Virtual Meeting – Zoom

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Welcome

Introductions
Kimberly Venable
Jane Smith - 4th Grade Collaborative Classroom
Jennifer Rosenthal
Stacey Earle
Tisha Eggleston 5th Grade Collaborative Classroom - Special Education
Angela Woodhead
Jennifer Cologna - Kindergarten Teacher
Jack Davis
Jillian Stanford
Leah Jaramillo
Joey McNamee
Emily Booth
Tommy Lopresto

Approve Last Meeting Minutes
Angela moves to approve the minutes. Jack seconds.

Report by District Energy and Resource Manager – Greg Libecci
School board adopted sustainability resolution to be 100% carbon neutral by 2040. There is a 100-page action plan and they have already put in place a 29-million-dollar project, district wide.
23.5-million-dollar tax exempt loan, that will be paid for by the savings in utility costs. Emerson is getting solar panels. Over 400 panels on the roof. 6 schools getting solar panels. The Emerson roof was new, so it made sense to get solar panels.
Later this year every bulb will be switched out for LED bulbs. Energy difference for lightbulbs will be 60%. Lighting will have special controls so that they’re fully adjustable, which will be really helpful without natural light in many classrooms in Emerson. Other items are district wide water conservation policies. Every faucet was converted from 1.5 to 0.5 gallons per minute.

Jennifer asks if there is an educational component – 5th grade is doing a science project on the benefits of the solar panels. Leah thinks the STEM fair would be a good opportunity to share the results. Tisha says that’s a great idea and they are trying to get some of it ready by the district science fair.

Reports

- **Principal’s Report**
  - Annual snowball program supported 39 families.
  - PTA brought in treats and gift cards for faculty.
  - Mr. Craner working with legislators to get brine shrimp designated the Utah official crustacean. Petition can be signed on Facebook. Great learning opportunity. News station is coming tomorrow.

- **SIC Report**
  - Reviewed previous months minutes.
  - Plan to create a subcommittee to develop device policy that will be in place by the beginning of next school year.
  - Online scheduler will open this Saturday for SEP conferences on February 8th and 9th.
  - Music concerts – grades 4 – 6 participate in district music program. Grades K – 3 participate in the Beverley Taylor Sorenson music program. It is difficult to get all of the grades in to watch the concerts because there are a lot of students, lots of parents, not a lot of notice and there is not a lot of time to clean up the cafeteria before the concert. If parents want siblings to attend, they are encouraged to check them out of their classroom.
  - Parents and visitors in the building – parents need to check in and then wear a sticker that helps teachers identify them. Teachers are being encouraged to introduce themselves and ask if they can help when they see someone that they don’t recognize.
  - Jill asks for clarification on the concerts. Are these being performed by the students? – Yes, by the students. Lunch is from 10:40 – 1:15 so there is not enough time and manpower to convert the space. District music staff used to come in the morning, but they moved to afternoon. BTS students have individual class concerts in the classroom.

- **PTA Report**
  - First meeting of the year is tonight.
  - Last meeting was about STEM fair and faculty and staff gathering for winter break.
  - Popcorn party next Friday. Earned at Move and Groove.
School Board Representative Updates – April Reynolds

- Tomorrow is the administrative. Warned that there is a bunch of new stuff coming.
- Next few meetings will be data sharing while schools start to do their land trust planning.
- Final report works starts January 15th. Usually, it's available in October but there have been delays. Acadiance testing happened right before winter break. That will be available soon.
- School Improvement Planning process has changed so there will be training.
- Joey asks if the school board selected a calendar – Yes, at the board meeting last night.

Paraprofessional Gifts

- $325 in donations for 24 support staff.
- Last year, Mohammed provided lunch. Change in the adult food purchasing policy – we might need preapproval, or can we use a donation account? April will check on that procedure.
- How do we want to do lunch? Catering from a restaurant? What do teachers like? Jimmie John’s gets delivered every day. They like everything. We can look at ChickFilA or Café Rio.
- Kimberly asks if there is a date because there are companies that would be interested in donating meals to educators. She will take charge of organizing that. Jennifer thinks that the Fresh Market often donates food for teachers.
- Committee members will reach out to contacts for more donations. Joey will be in charge of purchasing gift cards.
- Joey asks if SCC members should plan to attend the lunch? – April says that you are welcome to but it’s not necessary. We could create a card. Leah said last year they created cards.

Next meeting February 15, 2023 (note: this is the 3rd Wednesday of the month to accommodate parent-teacher conferences)