



## **SCHOOL COUNCIL MINUTES**

**DECEMBER 2, 2022**

**Members Present:** J. McIntosh, C. Parker, C. Webb, A. Martin, K. Estes, J. Puckett, L. Smith, and P. Gorges

**Not Present:**

- 1. Call to Order 8:02**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Benchmark Data Review (McIntosh)**
  - a. **The Council will review benchmark data in February after all benchmarking has been completed.**
- 4. Update on outdoor playground (McIntosh)**
  - a. The PTA has asked 2 companies to come out to Knox to give suggestions and a quote for our outdoor classroom. We are currently waiting on the information/quote. More information will be available at the next PTA meeting in December.
- 5. Critical Thinking Classroom discussion/suggestions**
  - a. Mrs. McIntosh is working with Mrs. Gorges on plans to create/design a Critical Thinking classroom at Knox in one of the computer labs for the 2022-2023 SY. The classroom will be an area where teachers can sign up to bring students for a 45-minute block of time to work on strategy and critical thinking games and activities. The classroom will be designed to encourage perseverance and grit.
- 6. Overview of the Knox STEM journey from 2018-present (McIntosh)**
  - a. School Council reviewed the Knox STEM journey from 2018-2022. This includes professional development, annual school instructional goals, and our Discovery Ed partnership through the years.
- 7. Walking tour of school to review and better understand Engineering Design Loop and Critical Thinking focus. (McIntosh)**

- a. School Council members were given a tour of the school to highlight our Engineering Design Loop and critical thinking focus that has been happening schoolwide.

**8. Old Business**

**9. New Business**

**10. Adjournment 9:00**