SCC Notes for Thursday, March 23, 2023

Attendees:
- Frances Battle, Lamar Spotted Elk, Brian Conley, Chris Gesteland, Alexander Hyres, Rielly Butler, Crystal Rudds, Nancy Wilson, Julia Waldroup, Camala Richard, Laura Anderson, Martha Soberanis, Willow Amendola-Francis, Jen Johnson, Kelli Neuteboom

Discussion:
- PTO- Family Nights- April- Chip Cookies, May- Chipotle, April will be the next fundraiser- Clash of Coins aka Penny Wars
- Land Trust- focused on paying for 50% of a teacher next year
- School Improvement Plan- working on

Brian Conley’s School Reconfigurations and Long-Term School Closures Presentation:
- Board Policy G-5
- Commitments
- Considerations
- Over last 10 years, district enrollment has decreased by 17.8%
- As of October 1, 2022, the K-6 enrollment is 9,602
- District/Board will be having townhall meetings for community input/ can also email comments to the board through the district website

Questions/Comments:
- We are a K-8, is that considered a special program?—Yes, it could be, but was unsure how it would be weighted
- Over the next 2 years, all elementary schools will add pre-school
- Do not want schools to have portables
- Our Hispanic parents really like the K-8 model
- What about kids who are happy where they are? Who bears the burden for this?
- What about possibility of getting kids from closing Granite schools? Is this taken into consideration? – Unsure
- Are Charter schools being considered with this reconfiguration?—nothing has been discussed about this yet
• Will there be student or teacher choice about which school they are being moved to?—School choice isn’t going anywhere for families, however, with fuller schools, it may be more difficult
• How does this affect Essential Element boundaries?—Currently unsure
• Mrs. Battle and Mr. Spotted Elk have copies of the PPT if anyone would like to look at it again.

Next Meeting: Currently scheduled for April 20th, however, Mrs. Battle will be out of town, so it needs to be rescheduled.