

Laurelwood School Site Council Minutes
March 14, 2017 at 6:00PM in the Library

Present: Dr. Lori Rogers (Principal), J'Aleta Nisby (Staff), Robyn Alves (Teacher), Rachna Bhatt (parent, Co-Chair), Kelly Neary (parent, Co-Chair), Nate Schofield (parent)

- I. Call to order and review of agenda
 - The meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM by Kelly Neary. The agenda was reviewed.
- II. Review and approve minutes from January 10th meeting
 - The January 10th minutes were presented for review. There were no comments or corrections to the minutes.
 - **Motion:** To approve the minutes from the January 10th, 2017 meeting (moved by R. Alves, seconded by N. Schofield, unanimously approved)
- III. Opportunity for public input and comments
 - None
- IV. SCUSD news
 - Dr. Rogers provided some updates on the school's technology. New projectors were installed in the library. The tech plan is currently funded at \$3M, and will increase to \$4M next year. This will help the school reach its goal of 1:1 devices. Chromebooks only last 3-4 years so there needs to be a refresh cycle. It was suggested that replacement/augmentation of technology begin in 5th grade and work down to the lower grades from there.
 - The district is discussing the new schools with different groups (PTA, BOT). No word on architect interviews. Decisions about how to structure the new schools will be made next December.
 - The school is working with the Labor Management Initiative; this program is teaching schools how to work cooperatively with unions. Laurelwood is part of the pilot program.
 - Lori will be attending the BOT meeting in March to make a presentation on Laurelwood Elementary. She will send the link to some videos that will be included in the presentation.
- V. Laurelwood site news

- Another clerk has been hired. She has worked at a site before and is getting up to speed quickly.
- The school is wrapping up its first coding session. This program is being funded through a CTE program. The instructional hour is paid for by the district; prep time is paid for by site money. After spring break, another session will begin. The faculty are looking at themes. They will prioritize applicants who were not able to do the first session. Fifth graders will also be prioritized to a higher level of coding.
- Fun-to-Run is back. Right now it happens Tuesdays and Thursdays during lunch, split by grades. When the weather improved, the school may include a morning shift.
- Mrs. White organized the PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention System). This program is building; the district has provided more support in this area of behavior management. There is now a break wall in the office, which provides emotional outlets for the students, as well as activities.
- The students completed their writing PBA; it will be scored on Thursday.
- Report cards and Spring conferences are coming soon.
- The Volleyball team is up and running.
- The school added another Circle of Friends. The school also has more group activities at the picnic tables for recess.
- There is now a crossing guard and a hidden police officer to monitor the chaos of morning drop off.
- Starting Arts is up and running; the first graders will have their performance soon.

VI. ELAC report

- Immigration bans were discussed at the last ELAC meeting. A lawyer was available at the meeting. The group discussed how families and schools should proceed if immigration officials arrive on campus.
- Santa Clara offered to be a Sanctuary City; this is not yet confirmed. It needs to be determined how federal aid will be impacted; this is particularly important for title schools, and for teacher training and school lunch programs.
- There is a resolution to create a safe environment for students. Once approved, it will be posted on the websites.

VII. Safety Plan

- Mr. Fuller went through the Laurelwood Safety Plan, including goals and action items. Once the final version is complete, it will be posted on the websites.
- **Motion:** To approve the Laurelwood Safety Plan (moved by R. Bhatt, seconded by R. Alves; approved unanimously)

VIII. ST Math

- The school met with the representative from S-T math, and obtained a pro-rated price. The program will begin in K-2 for the rest of the year. Next year it will be fully implemented.

IX. Announcements

- Elections are coming up in May. Start recruiting new parents to join SSC since 2 members will have termed out. We will include information in the newsletter, create a flyer, and announce through the websites.

X. Adjournment