

October 28, 2014

Rock Ridge Elementary SAC minutes

- In attendance: Peter Mosby, Julie Roach, Susie Eilers, Mike Carver, Carl Anderson, Shannon DiCamillo, Christie Earnest, Michelle Grider, Melinda Thompson, JoAnn Byrne, Louise Costello
- **Strategic Plan:**
- We were asked if we had any other questions regarding the strategic plan after reviewing it on our own after the last meeting. There were no questions.
- **Principal Update:**
- Technology: There is a technology team made up of teachers who learn about new technology, and discuss and determine what our buildings needs are for technology. They meet every third Tuesday of the month at 730. The meetings are open to parents if interested. About half of this year's Run for Funds earnings are being used towards 5-6 desktops that are needed in classrooms.
- New Hires: We were able to hire a half-time volunteer coordinator who will work with parent volunteers in the classrooms and building and will get the watchdog program up and running again. We also hired a part time aide for full day kindergarten, and another EA.
- Calendar update: The community vote was about 70% in favor of changing to a conventional calendar, SAC and staff also voted for the change. It will be submitted to the district this week and we will find out our final calendar for the next school year in January or February.
- Promotional video: We viewed the new promotional video of RRE which was done by the district. It will be posted on the district website and our website. Further marketing strategies using the video and other tools will be discussed at the next SAC meeting.
- **Questions/other discussion:**
- TV in lobby will be used as an advertisement and communication tool.
- All projectors in classrooms are being mounted on ceilings.
- Preschool is getting a laptop computer for their classroom from the Run for Funds earnings.
- Banners that Mike brought in last meeting are not allowed to be hung on the building so other options are being looked into. Two of the banners are hanging in the hallways.
- We are 18 kids short of projection this year. We have to pay that money back to the district so marketing is very important to get some kids back to our school to increase our funding. The question was raised on whether we really wanted more kids because class sizes are ideal this year. We would like to keep our class sizes down, but it is difficult to maintain this with the funding.

- **Agenda items for next meeting on November 18th:**
- Reasoning for discontinuing AR
- Marketing strategies
- DAC update
- Principal Update