



Fox Hollow Elementary School

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School Community Council Meeting

January 26, 2024 | 2:00 pm | Fox Hollow Media Center

Council Members		
First Year of Term	Second Year of Term	Principal
Beckie Rasmussen (absent)	Anthony Ecevedo	Amy Adams
Holly Korous	Chelsea Keith (absent)	Teacher (Odd Year Start)
Irene Clegg (absent)	Kristina Leikam	Shelby Mason
Kira Haslam (absent)	Tara Gailey	Teacher (Even Year Start)
Lisa Eskesen		Jolene Pruyt
Tiffany Wilhelm (absent)		

Meeting called to order at 2:07 pm

ACTION ITEM: Approval of prior meeting’s minutes

Motion to approve by Holly, seconded by Jolene, unanimously approved

Music Teacher Grant Request: Sarah Wright came before the council to request funds to attend professional development conference in St. George next weekend. She went to the same conference last year and took pages of notes. The focus last year was on having an inclusive classroom and she was able to identify specific areas in her classroom where she could make changes to include students who may sometimes feel excluded or unable to participate. This year’s classes will include using more dancing and books in the classroom. The registration is \$70 plus \$230 for a hotel. Kristina made a motion to approve funding (from LAND Trust funds budgeted for professional development) up to \$480 for expenses related to Ms. Wright attending the conference, including gas and meals, per LEA guidelines. Motion seconded by Tara and unanimously approved. Ms. Wright will come back to our meeting on March 1 to share some of what she learned.

Discussion regarding potential fundraiser: Council members were provided with details from Swig Drinks regarding their fundraising opportunities. Concerns expressed were regarding a feasible way to collect payments and potential for parents’ lack of support due to recent donations to PTA’s fundraiser. The high school uses School Window to collect payments for various fundraisers and events and Amy said Betsy just recently went to a training on using this program. Kristina accepted the assignment to coordinate with Betsy regarding this option.

February 15 to February 29 are still the target dates to run the fundraiser, with a goal to raise \$10-15 per student (total of \$9,000 to \$13,500). Kristina made a motion to do a fundraiser to pay for the cost of the activity portion of field trips, Tara seconded, unanimously approved. We will hold a meeting next Friday, February 2nd at 1:15 pm to discuss and plan additional details of the fundraiser.

Safe Walking Route (Josh Sullivan): The only change to the previous plan was moving a crosswalk north of the school. Holly mentioned that trees cover one of the school zone signs on 8200 S east of the school. Students in the Maples neighborhood who were outside busing boundaries used to be provided a courtesy stop to fill remaining spots on buses. Josh and Amy both thought this year's buses were already full from students in busing boundaries. Nikki George (JSD Board Member in attendance) will contact transportation to verify. Kristina commented that after school multiple crossing guards in areas right by the school seem to leave the crosswalks early, before traffic is cleared out from parking lot and when students are still around. Lisa motioned to approve Safe Walking Route as presented, seconded by Holly, unanimously approved.

LAND Trust Plan Preliminary discussion for 2024-2025 Budget: Current budget balances show a \$25k deficit in Technology budget item. This is because \$30k was spent towards Chromebook purchases last year but the payment did not get finalized until this fiscal year. Because of that there was a \$32k carryover from last year's budget which will offset the expense in this year's budget. This year's goal is to have 70% or more students making typical or better progress in reading. Mid-year testing was just completed and indicated 58% of students are achieving that. Expected to meet 70% target by end of year. Proposal for 2024-2025 LAND Trust Plan is to increase percentage goal to 73%. The majority of funding will be for the cost of reading assistants, aides, software. It was noted that more than half of the teachers have ESL endorsements and ELL students are making significant growth.

Principal Update (Amy Adams): Amy said they have received 28 French applications so far, with the deadline being January 28th. Next year's kindergarten enrollment is projected to be 84 students. Will have 1, maybe 2 full day kindergarten classes. Full day kindergarten students get 2 Walk to Read sessions, specials, eat lunch at the school. Amy noted it has made a huge difference for those students to have 2 Walk to Read sessions each school day. Parent Teacher conferences are coming up on February 21st and 22nd. The council will provide dinner for teachers on Thursday the 22nd. The state recently changed safety protocols for schools, Fox Hollow faculty and staff were trained on the updates last week and are following the new protocols. Additional details will be discussed at our next meeting.

Motion to Adjourn: Motion made by Kristina, seconded by Amy, unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 3:35 pm.

Next Meeting: March 1, 2024 @ 2:00 pm