Whittier SCC Meeting Minutes

10/25/2018

Those present: Paul Wickelson, Sheri McCardell, Michelle McCardell, Sarah Hadley, Mark Jones, Chris Herman, Carol Flowers, Jamie Spencer, Kristal Munk, Dr. Proffit, Crystal Black, Sarah Wentworth, Autumn Kieber-Emmens.

SCC Discussion items:

SCC Membership/Elections: not a big turnout tonight. Makes sense to wait for November meeting for main elections. Dorothy has record of everyone's membership status. If you are not on the SCC as a voting member and would like to be, let Paul know. Want to update website.

- Board did vote in Sheri McCardell, Michelle McCardell, and Anne Hardges as members

SCC is more about school governance and we have a list of things we are responsible to plan, approve such as land trust money, digital citizenship, etc.

No review of Safe Technology and Digital Citizenship, Land Trust Plan looking ahead, or SLCSD Emergency Plan.

PTA Report:

Most at SCC were present at PTA. No report given.

ELP Report:

There will be universal testing for all Kindergarten across the district to identify students for further ELP testing. Don't have the dates yet. Universal testing will be done 4-8th grade will be before the holidays. Younger grades after the holidays.

Neighborhood ELP is run by Kit Wedge. All grades participate in pull-out.

Geo Bee Dec 5th

STEM fair is Dec 10th

- Sign up was created to have parent volunteers in after school hours for helping students.
- Not many teachers have communicated that yet to students, many waiting for after Halloween.
- 4-6th grade typically participate individually, younger grades typically do group/class project.
- Not required.

Principal's Report:

Budget – See the agenda attachments. Pg 3 Last year expenses, Pg. 4 This year's expenses. The \$8764 spent in Tech/Hardware are the projectors that have gone in so far this school year. \$1100/week for paraprofessional amount to about \$41,418 for the year. We are looking at having about \$8500 unallocated. Consider some ideas on the agenda for November, vote on it at January meeting, etc. What is an acceptable roll over amount? About 10% of total budget. Expenses can go toward academic – easy

to justify K-3 help. Money can go towards social-emotional (i.e. Second Step curriculum for grade levels, \$4500 to get one for each grade level).

Pg. 5 Principal's Data Summary – discussion on most recent DIBIELS that measures early literacy skills. Thoughts and questions: Seems like can't compare last years scores with this year because the number of kids tested is so drastically different. Did they include ELP? Yes, except for grade 3. Almost half of neighborhood kids are not meeting benchmark. If students were on grade level at the end of last year, shouldn't they be by Oct this year? It seems like the numbers are stagnant. At what point do we discuss how does the data guide our spending (i.e. is our spending good or should we look at something different?) 80% should be meeting benchmark, but we are not there. High-quality, systematic teaching is what makes the difference. Transient households make a difference for the kids and their testing too. Students who score below benchmark are monitored more frequently but are not re-tested for that time frame.

2nd Step, home link – how many parents are receiving the home link? Several parents raised hand. Dr. P will revisit that with teachers. What is the grade level plan for home link?

No discussion on Excellence and equity plan, SMART goals.

Adjourn: 7:11pm

Next meeting is Nov. 29, 2018 at 6pm. No meeting in December.