M. Lynn Bennion Elementary School School Community Council Meeting November 16, 2017

Those in attendance: Edward Hannan, Carrie Chalverus, Laura De la Cruz, Hannah Rapp, Lanie Fetzer, Erin Freeman, Marshall Chalverus, Delmy Hernandez, Ada Castillo, Tisha Eggleston, Haloti Liava'a, Dahlia Cordova, Sharlon Harding

Meeting conducted by Edward Hannan SCC Chair

- > Welcome
 - Went around table and everyone introduced themselves.
 - Ms. Cordova expressed her thanks to the parents who were there, and thanked Haloti for filling in for her during her absence.
 - Ms. Cordova explained about the turkey distribution happening on Monday and the Foundation started by her husband who is doing the Turkey giveaway.
- School Improvement Plan and Land Trust Plan
 - Read over the Land Trust plan and discussed the goals for this year.
 - SAGE is for grades 3-6 and End of Level testing is for grades K-2
 - Clarified the percentages used in the plan. They are the percentages of students who met proficiency standards not what their actual scores were.
 - Parent concern about teachers not teaching with the same "language" as the test uses being a possible reason why students are struggling. Discussion led to interim testing helping students to preparing and getting familiar with the language used by the tests.
 - Ms. Cordova stated that the goals for the students focus more on their growth rather than their actual scores. As long as scores show growth, that is a good thing.
- Eureka Math Program
 - Questions regarding the math program chosen.
 - Was it a school choice or a district choice? Was district choice, because of the high mobility of the students within our district, and because it better aligns with the common core.
 - Do all grades use it? Yes
 - Concern about it being too challenging for the students. Ms. Cordova and Ms. Eggleston discussed with parents it is challenging because it is the first year, and teachers are learning as well.
- Approval of minutes from last meeting
 - Carrie Chalverus motioned approval of minutes, Edward Hannan seconded the motion, all were in favor.
- > Discussion of what it means to be a SAFE school
 - Earthquake kit, emergency locations, and drills were discussed.
 - Concern about lockdown that happened. Details were discussed to explain what happened and why.

- > Review of after school resources discussed last time
- Next Meeting Thursday December 21, 2017
- Ms. Cordova invited the SCC board to attend the staff holiday luncheon on December 15th at 1:00pm.