School Community Council Meeting

March 2, 2020 notes by; Joseph R. Nielsen

Present: Merrie Hughes, Kristie Christensen, Jesse Gordon, Stacy Perkins, Beth Hartung-Soria, Joseph Nielsen, Marian Broadhead, Lizzie Jolley, Ashlee Moncur, Lindsey Schou, Jessica Hintze, Kristi Swett (SLCSD Board).

Absent: Deb Gordon, Dawnell Moon, Danelle Montero, Andy Montero.

Excused: Sam Bennett (SLCSD Board).

Approval of the minutes from our January (No meeting in February due to a snowstorm) and the agenda for our current meeting: motion made, seconded, and carried

Kristi S. did ask to us to add a note to these minutes that the District does require that School gardens (which we discussed in our January meeting) are supported and maintained throughout the summer when school is not in session.

Chair's report – Merrie: the last District SCC Chair meeting was cancelled, and so Merrie has nothing to report.

Principal's report - Marian: (see topics below)

Parent Surveys – We have been asked by the District to remind Parents to be sure to fill out the parent survey and return it by early spring. We cannot put the surveys out for general distribution because of student specific personal information, but the school will print the letters again and send them home with report cards.

Computer allocation for 20-21 – Whitney Greene, District IT person for the school, suggested replacing forty Laptops. Thirty-four computers will be paid for by the District, the school will pay for six. In the future, we will be looking to replace a few each year over a 5-year period.

Staffing Report (due March 4) – We are projected to have a small increase in students next year. We will be retaining all of our teaching positions. We have one teacher retiring this year, so we will be hiring one teacher. There will be two 4th grade ELP classes. We believe the reason for this is that District is thinking that there be some additional students placed in these classes.

Review LAND Trust plan for 2019-2020 and writing Lands trust Goals for 2020-2021 – We reviewed the current plan. The plan for next year (2020-2021) will be due mid-March.

SCC members present voted unanimously in support of the following 2020-2021 Plan: \$18.000 to support a Fine Arts goal of paying for an art teacher to teach the arts core and \$35.354 to support a Math goal to pay for paraprofessionals to provide extra support for students underperforming in math and close the gap.

As a companion to these goals, the school will use TSSA money for paraprofessionals to provide extra support for students underperforming in English language arts.

Marian will draft this LAND Trust plan and send it to members for their review.

Student Success Plan, Wellness goals, Safe Walking, Student Success Plan priorities for 20-21 -

Our Wellness plan is to support students' mental and emotional health through PBIS programs including Love and logic, 8 Keys of Success, Mindfulness, and Second steps. Kristi said it is most helpful when she makes decisions at the Board Administrative level to hear from teachers and parents what they think is needed. Jessica talked about some of the resources and programs she is aware of to teach youth about social and emotional health. She wondered if these programs could be contacted about materials targeted and appropriate for elementary age students. Kristi will approach the appropriate people at the District about talking to ACES Program and others to look into creation of material for elementary students.

Our Safe Walking routes are reviewed to be sure they are up to date. Everything is good as of now.

Our Student Success priorities remain the same for now.

Reports:

C&A – Kristie: Kristie will be writing up a plan to manage traffic on the north side of the building. She asked if the State Legislature had passed the approval of recces as instructional time. Kristi reported that it was still working through the Legislature.

ELP – Lizzie: Spring ELP Celebration is scheduled on April 3. There will be more information on details coming.

Neighborhood – Stacey & Lindsey: nothing to report.

PTA – Ashley: Spring Chocolate fundraiser now going on. The orders are due March 9, there are prizes for outstanding student sellers. Minna Tu is going on to State Reflections competition. Andrew Frech and Madeline Stolz are going to the Regional Science Fair Competition. They are supporting the Reading is Fun week this week through a RIF distribution on Thursday. PTA has been asked to recruit possible Crossing Guards from the community – if anyone is interested please contact the PTA.

Staff – Beth: Report cards with the re-printed Parent Survey Letter (see above) will be sent home on March 20.

Other - none

Motion to adjourn made, seconded, and roundly approved.