

Forbes Elementary
School Community Council Meeting
September 30, 2014

In attendance: Andrea Ferrell, DeLinda Abbott, Jennye Harding, Krissy Shields, Cathy Michaels, Carol Navarrete, Kim Jones

Meeting called to order by Kim Jones

School TrustLands Training Video was shown to all members present

Items of Discussion:

- Review of how committee assignments work for our council. They are assigned as needed for special projects such as when the walk to school routes were created and in the current plan the committee for choosing/purchasing new guided reading library books.
- Contact information for this year's committee members was obtained to be added to the school website. Other information to be posted on the website was discussed including meeting dates, agendas, meeting minutes, and rules and procedures.

Items of Action:

- Website information will be posted before the next SCC Meeting. Jennye Harding will work with Tracy Clark to add information to the school website as well as the school Facebook page. They will also make sure to post physical reminders in the office of the meeting in advance as per SCC regulation.
- Nomination for Chair and Co-Chair
 - Cathy Michaels moved to open the nominations
 - Andrea Ferrell nominated Jennye Harding to serve as the committee chair
 - Carol Navarrete seconded the nomination
 - A vote was called for and all were in favor
 - Jennye Harding nominated Cathy Michaels to serve as co-chair
 - Kim Jones seconded the nomination
 - A vote was called for and all were in favor
 - The committee agreed on appointing a secretary
 - Jennye Harding nominated DeLinda Abbot
 - Cathy Michaels seconded the nomination
 - All in attendance were in favor
- Meeting dates and times were discussed for the remainder of the school year.
 - Meeting dates were scheduled for: October 14th, November 20th, January 22nd, February 26th, March 12th, and March 26th.

- Approval of the above meeting dates was motioned by Cathy Michaels
 - Seconded by Andrea Ferrell
 - All in attendance were in favor.
 - All meetings will be held at 4:00PM.
 - The second meeting in March may be cancelled if deemed unnecessary to complete the 2015-2016 plan.
- The Standard Rules and Procedures from the School Land Trust website were reviewed and deemed appropriate for our school community council. A vote was called for to accept these Rules and Procedures and all were in favor.
- Review of the School Improvement Plan for the 2014-2015 school year pointed out some things that could be changed/amended:
 - The DWA Writing Program has been replaced by a program that will be available to our students for free.
 - The way that Lunch Time Learning was being used was not helping to support the goal. It was decided to do away with Lunch Time Learning and move those funds to other areas.
 - The program Mastery Connect has been purchased by the school to use for all grades in helping to create common assessments and as a way of compiling important data.
 - Discussion was had to help support the school in this new tool by using the funds that were re-allocated from Lunch Time Learning and the DWA program to repay the expense of Mastery Connect to the school.
 - The program will be used this school year and re-evaluated as to its effectiveness in each grade level at the end of the year.
 - There is an amount left unspent from the previous School Plan. Discussion was had as to how those funds should be used.
 - The discussion included adding those funds to the amount to be used for the reading libraries or for technology. The last year's plan stated any extra funds should go towards technology.
 - One possibility is to add those funds to take home reading libraries in lower grades.
 - Another possibility is to look what other technology needs might be beneficial for student success. Some discussion was had about adding to iPads or looking at other potential needs.
 - The decision was made to wait until we find out exactly what the amount of the remaining funds are and determine final allocation at the next SCC Meeting.
- There were no other items of concern from the members/community at this time.

The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on October 14, 2014 at 4:00PM.