

Highland Elementary School
Minutes of the School Community Council Meeting
Thursday, March 2, 2017

SCC Members Present: Reed Hodson, Jaime Ward, Catherine Pavia, Jaci Olsen, Lynne Mower, Hyeyoung Thompson, Mae Wykstra

Teachers Present: Marrienne Asay, Lygia Johnson

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 3:45 p.m.

School Report: Mr. Hodson

- Teachers Retiring/Resigning at the end of this school year: Faulk, Botkin, Yingling, Alworth
- Moore will teach 6th Grade (Faulk's vacancy)
- Jeppson from Hidden Hollow will teach 6th Grade ALL class (Yingling's vacancy)
- Jones will teach 5th Grade
- Bushnell will teach 2nd Grade (Botkin's vacancy)
- Goodman hired to teach 1st Grade (Wolfe's vacancy)
- Bowers is finishing Bell's contract but will not return 2017-2018
- Wittaker is coming back to 2nd grade (unless she gets a TSA position)
- Kindergarten registration is coming up – approx. 84 students projected for enrollment (4 classes: Beck 2, Rios 1, Graver 1)
- Spelling Bee was a success
- Battle of the Books coming up this month

Land Trust Grant Plan 2017-2018

Based on feedback from teachers at last month's meeting, the Council allocated the estimated \$78,000 as follows:

- **1st Grade – Summer Reading Program - \$5,000**
 - Funding for 2 teachers or 1 teacher/1 aide including materials and preparation time
 - Program to be held at Highland Elementary for 20 first graders who are determined to be borderline reading-proficient at grade level
 - Program duration – 4 days/week for 3 weeks
- **2nd Grade – New iPad cart - \$1,000**
 - Mr. Hodson said should be able to do this with this year's money but if not, then can do it with next year's money
 - Mr. Hodson spent about \$3,000 this year upgrading RAM on the mini Macs in the lab. This should make them more functional for longer.
- **3rd Grade and 6th Grade – 2 Chrome Book carts - \$24,000**
 - Very useful for testing – less time, good data analysis, can determine top/bottom 5 easily
 - Better at providing SAGE data for end of level, interim and benchmarks

- **4 Aides - \$32,000**
 - New Math Aide will be hired for 5th Grade (but may be shared among the upper grades)
 - 3 Aides currently at Highland for lower grades will be funded for next year
 - Aides typically work about 5.5 hours/day in the school but spend about 4 hours/day in the classroom. They are paid with a combination of Land Trust funds, 504 funds and Double Dose funds.

- **Each grade will receive \$1,500 (\$10,500 total).** Teachers at each grade level will collaborate on the best use of this money.

- **Substitute Teachers - \$2,000**

- **Teacher Conferences - \$2,000**

- **\$1,500** to be used for supply items necessary to set-up new technology carts

The proposed Land Trust Grant allocation was voted and passed by the SCC Members present.

Other Discussion:

- Mr. Hodson said there is some textbook money coming that may be used for supplementing the new science curriculum.
- Robotics Club – received funding from last year’s Land Trust Grant. The program will not be held again next year, but every other year, depending on funding.
- Ms. Wykstra mentioned a Sea Perch Robotics lab with BYU that might be something that Highland could do in a few years.

SCC Elections 2017-18:

The following parent members’ term ends at the end of this school year: Brittney Bills, Jaime Ward, Jaci Olsen, Lynne Mower, and Keith Johnson.

Next Meeting:

April 13 (first Thursday is during Spring Break) – email any Agenda items to Jaime.
We are not planning to meet in May.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:48 p.m.