

Traverse Mountain
School Community Council Meeting
10 September 2014

Members Present: Ilene Strong, Mindee Widdowson, Dee Lawler, Natalie Hill, Kim Kosorok, Jenny Timmerman, Alison Smith, Britt Rohde, April Leder, Christina Ahlstrom, Brandon Bergland, Janelle Wride, Gillian Gremmert, Rachelle Funk, Matt Smith

Also Attending: Austin Cowley

Members absent: none

Meeting called to order by Kimberly at 3:40

1. Selection of officers:

Chairperson:

Natalie Hill moved to nominate Kim Kosorok

Britt Rohde seconded the motion

All approved

Co-Chairperson:

Natalie Hill moved to nominate Dee Lawler

Rachelle Funk seconded the motion

All approved

2. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting

Britt Rohde moved to approve the minutes

April Leder seconded the motion

All approved

3. Approval of the year's meeting schedule:

Suggested to meet on the third Wednesday of each month

(except December and May) always at 3:40 on the Library.

September 10th, October 15th, November 19th,

January 21st, February 18th, March 18th, April 15th

Natalie Hill moved to accept this schedule

Christina Ahlstrom seconded the motion

All approved

4. Discussion about the purposes of SCC

We watched two videos that taught us about the purposes of the SCC

More Information about this can be found at schoolandtrust.org

5. School Improvement Plan

There was a lengthy plan to talk about the School Improvement Plan, possible amendments, and the amount we carried over from last year's budget.

Goal #1—Eighty percent of all students will pass the Directed Reading Assessment (DRA) at their grade level benchmark on the Spring 2015 Assessment administration.

Goal #2—All students will demonstrate either 80% mastery or 25% growth on the Traverse Mountain Grade Level Comprehension Math Assessment by Spring 2015.

Goal #3—Students will submit three grade-level appropriate writing samples into their Traverse Mountain Writing Portfolio. Grade level teams will create the grade-level six-trait writing rubric—Summer 2014. Students will submit a writing sample in August 2014, January 2015, and April 2015 in the following grade-level appropriate formats:

Kindergarten: Narrative, narrative, narrative

1st grade: Narrative, Opinion, and Informational

2nd grade: Narrative, Informational, and Opinion

3rd grade: Narrative, Opinion, and Informational

4th grade: Opinion, Narrative, and Informational

5th grade: Narrative, Persuasive/Opinion, and Informational

6th grade: Informational, Narrative, and Argumentative

Financial breakdown:

\$30,807	Partial teacher and paraprofessional salaries (Double Dose, K, 2 nd)
\$ 3,000	Summer Collaboration
\$ 3,500	DRA Testing (1 st -3 rd grades)
\$ 7,500	Professional Development and Substitute teachers
\$ 2,000	Guided Reading Books
\$ 1,000	Software for students
\$ 2,000	Computer equipment
\$1,000	Supplies to support technology, or teachers and maintenance
\$50,807	2014-2015 total

- A. Because of the current SAGE/CRT transition, it is very difficult to get reliable data to prove we have accomplished our goals.
- B. Mastery Connect—We purchased this software with last year's carry-over funds. We will need to use some of the current year's funds to pay the balance.

--April wanted to know if 3rd Grade's writing samples can be done in a different order. After a discussion, the consensus was that it would be fine—order doesn't matter.

6. Austin shared some Good News

- A. PTA has sponsored the WATCH DOGS program at our school. We have 1-2 dads participate each week, and the results so far have been very positive.
- B. Our start of this new school year has been great!
- C. The 6th Grade vs. Teachers Kickball game was a lot of fun.
- D. Our "Zupa's" fundraiser night was productive, and a lot of fun.
- E. The Room Mom Tea was very successful.

7. Traffic Report

- a. traffic changes have been running very smoothly
- b. the Pre-school pick-up system is very successful
- c. the Kindergarten system is not very good. The bottle-neck occurs because of proximity of the driveway to the 4 way stop.
- d. We will research ideas to improve
- e. Ilene will send out an email to advertise the creation of a Kindergarten Pick-Up Safety Committee

8. Lunch Changes

There was a discussion about the new lunch schedule and how it's going.

- a. Zack and Josh report that there is a lot less waste of food at lunch, and also on the playground.
- b. For a while, students were not allowed to sit with friends in order to get hem to clean up better. They currently have earned that privilege back. They are much happier!
- c. We have a plan to be sure to analyze this whole system at the end of the school year and assess the effectiveness of the changes.

9. Time was short, so Kim asked that everyone read the By-Laws and email Kim and Ilene with any concerns or change ideas

10. Ilene will provide a 2013-2014 accounting at the next meeting.

11. Britt Rohde moved that we adjourn

Christina Ahlstrom seconded the motion

All approved

Meeting adjourned at 5:01