

School Community Council
1/27/16

Minutes

--Members present: Ilene Strong, Dee Lawler, Austin Cowley, Jenny Timmerman, Matt Smith, Britt Rohde, Diane Lewis, Gillian Gremmert, Rachelle Funk, Christina Ahlstrom, Kim Kosorok, Shellie VanOrman, Melissa Kirkham

--Members Excused: Mindy Widdowson, Natalie Hill

--Members Absent: Julie Hunt

--Visitors: Thom Paul, Lisa Duvernay, Ashley Davis, David Kosorok

1. Meeting called to order at 3:44 pm
2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting—Diane Lewis moved to approve the minutes, Christina Ahlstrom seconded, all approved.
3. Expenditures—our budget reviewed
4. RTI (Response to Intervention)—Lisa Duvernay (school Special Ed. Teacher) discussed how the iReady program is being used to assist with the needs of students who need extra academic support. She demonstrated how the program worked and showed us data for students and how it helped.
5. Mastery Connect—Diane Lewis, with the help of Ashley Davis and Dee Lawler explained how teachers at Traverse Mountain are using Mastery Connect at our school with great success
6. (Moby Max and Kahn Academy were also briefly mentioned)

7. Ilene consulted the committee about her wish to use some of the \$5000 allocated for Character Education to try to come up with some incentives to fight the problem we have at our school with tardiness. She wanted to experiment a little with some different approaches to encourage students to stop coming to school late. The reason for experimenting with tardiness this year is to solidify a plan for next year.
8. Projected school growth for next year is an additional 90 students, which means about 3 more classrooms. We expect to get a new portable classroom with 2 classrooms
9. Good News:
 - a. Chess Club has just begun and has already had a great turnout.
 - b. The Play (Shrek Jr.) is continuing in rehearsals.
 - c. Ballroom Dance team won 2 silvers, 2 golds, and a gigantic trophy for sportsmanship.
 - d. Lego League won fifth place.
 - e. Just had our school-wide Spelling Bee. Thom mentioned that it would be good to capitalize on the enthusiasm there to encourage interest in the Spell-A-Thon and the Battle of the Books
 - f. There is a Book Collection Drive next week sponsored by Miss Lehi for the week of February 1-5.
 - g. There was a brief discussion about safety policies for the situation when students leave the school.
 - h. Next month we will tackle the School Improvement Plan. Please be sure not to miss this meeting!!
 - i. Meeting closed at 5:08 pm.