

Traverse Mountain Elementary
School Community Council
January 9, 2018
MINUTES

Members Present: Diane Sipos, Paisley Streuper, Rachel Kennedy, Lisa Taylor, Heidi Brown, Juli Andes, Natalie Hill, Rebecca Richards, Jenny Timmerman, Ilene Strong, Dee Lawler, Christina Ahlstrom, Lyndsay Detro, Mindy Widdowson

Members excused: Melissa Kirkham, Jannelle Wride
Visitors: Lewis Young

Called to order at 3:46 p.m.

1. Review of minutes
Jenny moved to approve the minutes, Natalie seconded the motion, all approved.
2. There will be a meeting tonight at the School District Office about our boundary decisions. Attend if you can.
3. Natalie asked if there would be any more opportunities for parents to visit grade level collaborations as we have done in the past. Ilene said the district would no longer be offering collaboration incentives, thus this service would no longer be necessary. However, she suggested we discuss the idea of parents visiting grade level collaboration a little later.
4. Ilene introduced Lewis Young, our new School Assistant Principal. He has taken the place of Brian Ridge, who has gone to another school to serve as principal. She praised Mr. Young and noted that we have had a seamless transition.
5. Principal Review—Ilene reported on the projected and actual school expenditures to date. We had a little discussion, and all things are proceeding as we planned with these expenditures.
6. We discussed the situation with Aides working in the school. Lisa mentioned that if we get an opening, she knew of a couple of people who would do well.
7. Revisiting Natalie's idea of SCC members visiting grade level collaboration: we are interested in how money is being used, and how it is working for teachers in classrooms. Also, there were some

interested in knowing if the Ron Clark trip is a valuable way to use the money. There was a decision that SCC members (parents) would conduct visits to collaboration meetings on March 12th at 2:45-4:00

8. Good News (Lewis)

- a. House incentive to go to the movies at the Water Garden Theaters is a big success. He noticed members of Kiora consistently serving around the school (like sweeping up after lunch) to earn points. Lisa asked if we could include in the newsletter the announcement of who wins each month.
- b. Grade Level—He has been impressed with 3rd grade and the way they speak with care and concern about students. He has also been impressed with 4th grade and their use of the SAGE modules for assessing students. They were very knowledgeable.
- c. Ilene gave praise to Juli Andes, who is flawlessly working with a split 3rd-4th grade class this year. Great job!

Meeting adjourned at 4:23

Next Meeting on February 6th