

Community Council Meeting Minutes

Nov 19, 2024

Attending: Amy Erickson (parent and Chair), Heather Campbell (Principal), Dustin Nelson (Title I Site Coordinator), Leo Boren (parent), Megan Pomeroy (parent), Tiffany Villalta (parent), Lindsay Hurd (teacher) Jana Timmons (School Counselor)

Meeting Called to Order: 3:00 p.m.

Welcome: Heather Campbell (Principal)

Approve Minutes: Leo Boren motion to approve minutes from last month
Megan Pomeroy seconded

School Safety Plan:

- Mrs. Campbell shared the School Safety Assessment. A comprehensive questionnaire to determine the safety of the school. Identify problem areas. One area of concern is a safety barrier blocking the front entrance from the lunchroom. Also, additional cameras are needed in hallways.

0 Tolerance Training:

- Mrs. Campbell shared how all the faculty and students have received training with our 0 Tolerance Training. Faculty in staff meetings and students in assemblies. Lower grades K - 2 received a modified version of the one 3 - 5 received. Basically, be kind, stand up for others and communicate with the proper authorities.

Positive Behavior Plan (PBIS):

- Sunset has various plans in place to help encourage positive behavior. Our counselor meets with classes regularly to teach character building skills. She also coordinates small social skills groups with students who struggle socially. As a school we promote good behavior by rewarding students with “horseshoes” (school currency) and Principal Pal cards which are shared with parents and students have the opportunity to win special time with the principal.
- Attendance: Attendance is a concern as it directly affects academic achievement. Mr. Nelson shared several plans in place to encourage better attendance. Numbers are assigned to each student in each class and every morning two lucky numbers are called.

If the students with those numbers are here and on time they receive a small prize. Classes also strive to complete an attendance chart, which when full, allows the whole class to win a prize. Communication has improved between the school and parents emphasizing the importance of good attendance.

- The School Compact was shared and members will review the compact and any changes will be proposed at the next Community Council Meeting.

Digital Citizenship / Internet Safety:

- Every student at Sunset Elementary receives instruction on how to use the internet safely. Lessons are age appropriate and taught by our computer teacher and reinforced by classroom teachers.
- Each classroom is 1:1
- Every site used by teachers must be approved by the District
- Sunset Elementary has a strict policy about the use of cell phones. Students must place phones in backpacks at the beginning of the school day and they cannot be removed until school ends. Students who use phones during the day will have phones confiscated and a parent will be notified and required to pick up the phone.

Substance Abuse and Suicide Prevention Plan:

- Mrs. Timmons our counselor and Mr. Nelson received intense training regarding Suicide Prevention in schools. Sunset Elementary has set aside funds (\$2,000) to focus on meeting the social and emotional needs of our students. Some of the programs which are part of this plan are:
 - Student Counsel and Safety Patrol supplies and field trip
 - Kindness Week
 - Update supplies for classroom calming caddies and Wellness Room
 - College and Career Week Supplies
 - Kindness Award GOAT Award once a month each grade level
 - Classroom Book of Belong for classroom to read

Next Meeting:

Jan 14, 2025

Meeting adjourned: 3:52 p.m.