**School Community Council Meeting** Sept. 18, 2020

Members Attending: Michelle Peterson, Franco Preston, Alisa Didenhover, Erika Scott, Wendy Hill, Cody Cowan, Jeanette Stooksbury, Trisha Keller, Janet Hall

Members Not Attending: Heather Shay

* Election for new leadership.
  + Cody Cowan was nominated for Chair, Wendy Hill was nominated for Vice-Chair, Erika Scott was nominated for Secretary.
  + All 3 were unanimously voted in.
* Recess discussion
  + Discussed whether we should continue to keep classes separate during recess, or if the classes should be able to mingle at grade level during recess.
    - Checked to see what other elementary schools in the area were doing for recess. Other schools were allowing intermingling within grade level. We are the only school not intermingling at grade level.
    - Asked teachers how they thought recess was going. They said it was going well with what they have.
    - Looked at attendance. Other schools are showing 2% absenteeism rate. Butterfield Canyon shows an 8% absenteeism rate (ours is higher because we’re being really strict on making sure kids stay home when sick.)
      * Keeping kids playing in the same grade during recess vs. intermingling does not seem to affect the percent of absenteeism because of Covid-19.
    - There are kids who are not making connections with their classmates, and don’t have anyone to play with at recess. There is concern about their social-emotional health.
    - Keeping classes separate during recess can help build class unity, but we worry about the effect on social-emotional health of those who are not making connections in their classes.
  + It was proposed we change recess to allow the grades to intermingle during recess.
    - The vote was unanimous to change recess to allow kids to intermingle during recess.
* Safety concerns for walking to school
  + Discussed the safe walking plan for neighborhood off of Rose Canyon Rd. and 7300 West.
    - This neighborhood is not far enough to be bused (as the crow flies) but the safe walking route is way longer than the distance needed for busing (It’s about a 45-minute walk).
    - Rose Canyon Rd. is not safe. Kids are sometimes crossing the road twice, trying to get to school.
    - Parents have talked to the City trying to find a solution to make it safer, but little has happened.
    - All extra bussing slots have already been filled, so there aren’t any extra spots for these kids.
    - What was decided:
      * Send out an email and look for feedback from parents on this issue.
      * Address the Board to see what can be done about this.
        + Parents will need to document what they see so they have exact examples to present to the Board.
        + Offer a solution to the Board for what the parents would like to see happen.
* Discipline at the School
  + Sent out disclosure first day of school so students and parents know what to expect for discipline.
  + Teams at school (grade level) work together to decide on ways that help disciplining.
  + Many teachers use a rewards system or a warning system
  + Most of the school tries to and focus on good behavior and reward it.
    - Examples: Token Tower, Leader in Me program, Golden Gate Program.
  + All Community Council members need to approve the Code of Conduct
* School Board Members
  + State and District Board members are up for election in our area. These board members make decisions that affect what happens in our school. We need to study the candidates, decide which ones will best support public education, and promote those candidates in our community.
* Next meeting: November 20, 2020, 2:30pm