

# COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**Date:** November 11, 2020

**Time:** 12:00 PM (noon)

**Place of Meeting:** McMillan Elementary School

**Council Members Present:** Hannah Dolata, Linda Auwerda, Stephanie Richter, Nate Auwerda, Samantha Walters, Monica Diaz-Perng & Natalie Day

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## AGENDA ITEMS:

- Nate Auwerda welcomed everyone. Minutes from last month's meeting will be approved next month .
- Discussed and reviewed budget and expenditures for 20-21 school year. We are currently on track and on budget because our school has been able to stay open. Many opportunities for Professional Development have been cancelled/postponed because of restrictions so there was an amendment request from Mrs. Dolata. Goal 3 in the budget allotments from STEM teacher leaders/PD/STEM night. A request was made to move the \$2600 allotted for these items to buy more FOSS Science Kits for the school. The teachers have already purchased some through various grants and have loved using them. There is a partnership available with Jordan School District to use their lesson plans that align with the kits too. It will also provide PD opportunities for teachers. Positive feedback from Mrs. Walters about the effectiveness of the kits. Kits can be used for multiple years with some replenishment. Once amendment is written up it can be reviewed and approved over email or at the next meeting.
- Reading Counts was discussed also. There have been issues implementing the program because of some IT updates. Mrs Dolata still loves the program and many teachers still want to implement it. Once issues are fixed a virtual launch will happen. Mrs Dolata is hoping for a home connection (maybe assessment access?).
- The Student Success Plan was discussed. The Intervention Team is meeting virtually with students for math and reading. The District has stopped requiring a writing benchmark this year, but teachers are still gathering writing to help support goals/ELA benchmarks. The Math/Reading Benchmark has been administered and teachers are using it to reteach some concepts. Teachers are finding that some skills were interrupted last year and they are focusing on minimizing the "Covid Slide." The teachers are working really hard to help students catch up. Teachers are celebrating growth on REFLEX Math with certificates for individual student's progress.

- Mrs. Dolata thanked the PTA for all their support this year
- Traffic Concerns were discussed. Many parents have emailed/called concerning student safety in the drop off/pick up lanes. Mrs. Dolata suggested a task force be created to help get ideas on how to improve both lots. Mrs. Dolata asked for support from the School Community Council in helping create this task force.
- A parent email is going out through Parent Square reminding families about protocols and staying safe during the upcoming holidays.
- Motion to adjourn (Nate Auwerda) Seconded (Monica Diaz-Perng)