

School Community Council Meeting Notes 4-16-2015

Attendance

- Ryan McCarty - Principal
- Rachel Kovacs - Title 1 Coordinator
- Paige Drumm - Teacher
- Mike Jeppesen - Teacher
- Shennon Mercer - Parent
- Kari Lillico - Parent
- Ginger Churchill - Parent
- Marsha Judkins - School Board Member

Go over Draft for 2015-2016 Proposed Plan/ Including proposed change

- Went over draft and voted last month but some changes have been made.
- Last month Mr. McCarty proposed that some of the Trustland money be used to add another first grade teacher. Because of numbers, Mr. McCarty proposed that the Council leave the decision open that will allow the principal to put the teacher in the position that will most fit when the final numbers come in. The options are placing the teacher in first grade, second grade, or to have an intervention specialist teacher.
 - o April 16, 2015
 - o Ginger Churchill motioned to approve the plan. Kari Lillico seconded the motion.
 - o Number who approved: 8
 - o Number who did not approve: 0
 - o Number who were absent: 1

Follow up about changing lunch/recess schedule

- Mr. McCarty talked with other principals in our district that have recess first and then lunch. Presented a list of pros and cons.
 - PROS
 - o Students eat more fruits and vegetables.
 - o Students eat more overall lunch and leave lunch full.
 - o Students calm down after recess and enter class more ready to learn
 - o Students have more energy after lunch.
 - CONS
 - o Students who eat slower do not have time to finish eating.
 - o Students who eat quicker miss out on recess time.
 - o Behavior problems for kids who finish eating quickly
 - o Transition issues with extra supervision required (cost) going from recess to lunch
 - o “Traffic Jam” with kids washing hands and waiting in line for lunch which leads to less time for eating and recess.
- Mr. McCarty will check into it more and may visit some schools to see how they address these issues.

Other Questions/Concerns

- Parent link calls will call all phone numbers that are under students name, even the emergency calls, and even calling on Sunday evenings. Shannon Mercer contacted the district to see what was happening. The district is looking into it. They will put it on their agenda and contact the company that does the calling.
- Shannon Mercer also brought the concern of harsh letters being sent home about needing to send lunch money. Wanted to know why we don't stamp hands when they are low in funds. Mr. McCarty will look into it and see what can be done.