

Community Council

Friday, November 4th

Attending: David Pendergast, Brittany Brimhall, April Moss, Monica Pace, Jaron Nelson, Joanie Denhalter, Ashley Thompson, Marissa Wilson, Donna Ferrell, Alicia Dovenbarger, Jared Elder

Meeting Notes:

This meeting was held in person.

Welcome – Pledge of Allegiance

David started off the meeting apologizing to the council members if he misrepresented them in the letter to parents about costumes.

Internet Safety: Do we want to do something separate from White Ribbon Week for internet safety? White Ribbon Week is January 9-13. Jared Elder will present to parents regarding internet tools, digital safety and protection, filtering, and password management. It was decided to have the parent presentation on Thursday, December 1st at 6:30.

School Improvement Plan Review

Goal #1: At Ellison Park Elementary, the proficiency of K-6 students below benchmark on their Acadience Reading Composite Score will increase from 71% to 80% at MOY. Brittany presented data 2019-present BOY, MOY and EOY. Explained what blue, green, yellow and red meant.

Goal #2: At Ellison Park Elementary, the proficiency of K-6 students below benchmark on their Acadience Math and Forefront Math Composite Score will increase by 3% from BOY to MOY. David talked about the aides and what they are doing because of SB127. April Moss talked about peer/reading buddies. David talked about STAR reading. It might be something to look into. It was being done about 15 years ago. A parent asked about doing an after school program to help students. David brought up how teachers are stretched thin and at capacity, so he doesn't think they'll be much buy in from teachers. Marissa explained what the aides do when they work with a small group/SPIRE. It was brought up to possibly have a reading night once a quarter with parents. Would the community show up for something like this? We talked about that and what it would look like; nothing

was officially decided. Several ideas were brought up to help kids get excited about reading i.e., Root Beer and reading, treat from librarian, etc. Jared Elder said he works for FanX, Comicon and could line up a visit from characters like a book signing. Members will think about this, and we'll talk more about it at the next meeting.

Goal #3: In the STEM Prep Makerspace Lab, each class will create a minimum of two projects per semester, including producing audio-visual/podcasts, 3-D printing, or coding robots.

Goal #4: Incorporate Social Emotional Learning for students and staff to develop self-awareness and self-management skills and achieve academic and social/emotional success in math and reading as measured by SEL Walkthrough Tool and DSD School Climate Surveys.

Community Concerns and Questions

David gave reminder of training for community councils and to refer to his email for the link/more information.

Next Meetings:

December 2, 2022

January 6, 2023

February 3, 2023

March 3, 2023

TBD based on due date