



MINUTES

Neil Armstrong Academy Community Council

Date: February 18, 2016 | 4:00 P.M. | Meeting called to order by: Darrell Kirby

In Attendance:

Darrell Kirby (Chair), Matt Goebel (Administrator), Mysti Hedquist (Teacher Member/Note Taker), Pablo Garcia (Parent Council Member), Robert Goodick (Parent Council Member), Carrie DiVall (Parent Council Member), Kristine Johansen (Teacher Member), Kent Nixon (Vice Principal), Carrie Johnson (Parent Council Member), Kyle Cannon (Parent Council Member)

Guests: Terry Bawden-School Board President, Brent Severe- CEO of Granite Education Foundation

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Goodick motions, Mrs. DiVall seconds, all approve.

Item 1: Terry Bawden, President- Granite Board of Education- Terry Bawden 4:00-4:20

Board thanking Community Council for service to the school and the community.

Open to questions:

- West Lake Progress & Acceptance - the progress is going well. West Lake received a SIG Grant which gives the school more money for improvements. Part of the grant means that Administration changes and only 50% of the staff can remain. The school will be remodeled. The school's summer school program will be moved to Granger for the summer and continue at West Lake the following year. Overall, there seems to be a positive acceptance/attitude of the changes.
- Granite District Land across from Armstrong- There isn't any plan to develop it and most likely will be sold. The plan is to integrate STEM into current buildings.
- High School STEM Conversion- Many are working on it and are on their way there. It is being emphasized in principal PLC meetings. The high schools will not be called STEM high schools.

Item 2: Brent Severe, CEO, Granite Education Foundation- Matt Goebel & Brent Severe 4:27- 5:00

Creating partnerships with businesses. What do we offer here at Armstrong that is different from somebody else. Businesses want recognition for what they do. How do we promote the businesses. Have a Donor Wall in the school that highlights the contributions they made. How do will increase and improve our relationship with the businesses that have supported Armstrong.

It is advised to run the money through the Foundation. It provides a tax break for the businesses and the money rolls over to the next year. The Foundation will create accounts for the money for the school. Target and Kohl's do corporate grants for schools. School Leadership and Community Council should be able to apply.

How do we approach business? Have a one page sheet of what the school offers and needs as a proposal. Just ask them! (Armstrong needs to refresh the Wish List of what the school needs).

Chevron has a new leader. Invite her to Armstrong to see what good the money has done for the school.

We should have an open house for all of our donors and show them how Armstrong has progressed with their help. Have students thank our volunteers. Take photos and promote the partnership through social media. The Foundation has card readers where they can scan people's credit cards for on the spot donation.

Item 3: STEM School Designation- *Mysti Hedquist- 5:00- 5:05*

Deadline is at midnight. The application is done. Just doing final tweeks before submitting the files. They should be coming to Armstrong to observe the school and will be reviewing the portfolios in March.

Next up is Blue Ribbon Schools Application. The deadline for it is mid March.

Item 4: Expenditures, Progress on Current Land Trust Plan- *Matt Goebel- 5:05- 5:25*

Leveled Library- There will be a survey for the teachers about their leveled library needs. Debate of whether to go digital or build a book library. Digital options are Raz Kids which is similar to Reading A-Z but has more features. He will be purchasing more books for the library. We are on track for spending the money. With what is left over will be spend on technology. We could also hire another person if necessary. We have \$26,000 left in the budget.

Item 5: 2016-2017 Land Trust Proposal- *Darrell Kirby & Matt Goebel- 5:25- 5:32*

Starting getting ideas for what we would like to use the money for next year.

Item 6: Open-Forum Discussion-*Darrell Kirby -5:32- 5:46*

Pablo Garcia- Is it possible to invite Rob Averett to the meetings to talk about data and how to interpret it? He will be invited to a future meeting.

Darrell Kirby- Steve Hogan will be coming to the next meeting to talk about boundary alignment proposal.

Item 7: Agenda items for March Meeting.

Staffing Plan

STEM Designation Re-cap/Blue Ribbon Schools

Expenditures, Progress on Current Land Trust Plan

2016-2017 Land Trust Proposal

Safe Technology & Digital Citizenship Review

Item 8: Adjourn

Next Meeting: March. 10th.

5:50