

Eisenhower Community Council Meeting

April 15, 2020

3:15 p.m.

IN attendance (google meet):

Mark Ellermeier-neutral

Christina Anderson-yes

Tere Gerber-yes

Dave Andrews-yes, if they build the addition first

Betsy Valora-no, unless they build the addition first

Mike Valdez-yes

David Young-yes, if they build the addition first

Danielle Pugh-yes, if they build the addition first and if they move 6th grade up

Sabrina Perkins-yes

Hillary Dalton- yes, if they build the addition first

Sarah Timpson-yes

Andra Taylor-yes, if they build the addition first

Taylorville Network Reconfiguration:

There are 12 schools in our network. The district needs 9 of these schools to approve the reconfiguration of 6th grade moving to the Junior High and 9th grade moving to the High School. As of yesterday, April 14, 2020, the district had approval from 7 schools. As a community council we voted. The results were Neutral- 1, Yes-6, Yes with the condition that the addition be built before they move- 5, No, unless the addition is built before they move-1. Mr. Ellermeier will be drafting a letter to the district with these results and addendums.

A question was raised as to the ramifications the reconfiguration will be to the feeder elementary schools. Obviously, a loss of a whole grade of students will mean losing teachers but other than that we don't have much information. As Eisenhower will be losing 9th grade and gaining 6th grade the numbers should stay about the same. There was a fear that Eisenhower would lose teachers, but Mr. Ellermeier assures us that the teachers are staying, even if they have to teach 6th graders. Yay!!

Online learning:

A district letter was sent to the principals today stating that fourth quarter grades will be given as a pass/ incomplete/ A. Students will have the first quarter of next school year to complete an incomplete grade. We will be receiving more information on this, as Mr. Ellermeier receives it.

*Parent Feedback: Communication from teachers has been great. More due dates on assignments would be great.

*Teacher Feedback: A lot of students are not even logging into Canvas.

*Counselor Feedback: Some great students are feeling overwhelmed. Teachers have been urged to not require more than 1 ½ hours of homework per week.

*Principal Feedback: Most teachers are doing their classes on Canvas. Following the high school's lead there will be a spreadsheet view of each teacher's schedule on the school website. For a variety of reasons a few students still have not logged in to Canvas and quite a few are not doing any of the work teachers are preparing. Mr. Ellermeier's message to his teachers is to be a bright spot in the middle of uncertainty. His message to parents and students is to reach out to your teachers if you have questions. They want to help your student succeed.

Next meeting:

The need for a May meeting will be determined as we get closer to the end of the year. Thank you to all who participated.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.