Fox Hills Elementary Community Council Meeting

November 12, 2020 9:15 AM by Zoom

Council members attending: Kylie Jones, Teri Daynes, Nicole Porter, Diana Payne, Victoria Forster, Vanessa Park Excused: Becky West Not in attendance: Amber Elliott

Other people in attendance: Nicole McDermott (school board member), Brenda Shamo

October meeting minutes were approved. A typo of they/the principals will be corrected. It was noted that Amber hasn't made it to any meetings this year. Kylie and Teri will reach out to her to see if she will be continuing as a council member.

Nicole Porter is moving in Dec and we will need a new parent council member. Kylie has talked to a parent who is interested but was unable to attend today. We will vote someone in at the January meeting.

This year it was projected that we would have 750 students – we have 727-730 right now, but since the district isn't surplussing teachers this year and we are able pay for an extra ½ teacher (math teacher) with TSSA funds, we were able to keep all of the teachers. Next year we will be losing about 120 children with the 6th grade moving to the junior highs. At that point the 3rd grade should be able to move into the building (they have been in the relos for several years). Some relos will still be used for Art and math. Computer labs will not be updated by the district so that will be phasing out and we will eventually have another classroom in the building.

Safe Walking routes – They are still working on the skybridge. We are concerned about the lack of a path up to the school from the bridge and that the bridge will open directly into school property. Kylie and Teri will check on that.

Budget and amendments: It is not likely we will be able to get a full-time social worker. The district is already short some. Kylie proposed to reallocate those funds to hire another .5 teacher to help cover the classes who need subs and to help with interventions. That was seconded (by Diana) and approved unanimously.

2021-22 funding ideas: It was suggested that we look at using some of next year's funds to help pay for more science resources. We are grateful for the kits we received from Westbrook, but more grades could use supplies.

The final report for 2019-2020 will be due on Feb 26th so we will go over that in Jan.

Motion to not have a meeting in Dec was passed unanimously. The next meeting will be Jan 14th.

Adjourned at 9:50 AM.