

Gourley Elementary Community Council Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 by Chairman Jones. Along with Chairman Jones, Principal Peck and faculty representative, Paul Stoker, were in attendance.

Principal Peck referenced an email that had been sent to council members by member Kim Edwards regarding fundraisers. She reviewed with the council the guidelines involving fundraisers and suggested that if the council would like input on the fundraiser selected, we address it early in the spring.

Chairman Jones reported on his efforts to look at having speed bumps installed on the streets surrounding the school. He made contact with UDOT as well as Taylorsville City Works Department. He reported that one of the first things that may need to happen is to have one of these organizations collect data regarding the traffic around the school so they could advise us on which measures might work best in our situation. He will report back to us next month on this issue.

Principal Peck shared SAGE data with the council from the 2013-2014 school year. Chairman Jones asked if there were ways we could get the parents in our community more involved in their students' education. Principal Peck commented that parental involvement is certainly a key component to student success and informed the council that the school leadership team was planning to hold a parent night in January in an effort to help parents more fully understand how to support their children's education and what resources are available to them.

Principal Peck also shared the conditions for learning survey that was conducted at the school in September. Data indicated that by in large, parents taking the survey were supportive of what the school was doing and felt they had a good relationship with their students' teachers. Teachers taking the survey also reported feeling positively about the school and their role in it. This survey will be repeated in the spring.

The next council meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 17th, at 3:30 p.m., in the school media center. Chairman Jones will report again on his efforts to look at road safety around the school. Principal Peck requested that the school bully survey data be added to the agenda for the next meeting.