

## **Gourley Community Council Meeting Minutes**

**December 14, 2017**

Present: Brandon Jones, Shellie Averett, Megan Holmes, Allesen Peck, Yajaira Martinez

Chairman Jones called the meeting to order. Assistant Principal Yajaira Martinez presented data from the bully survey that was recently conducted with students. She pointed out that the survey showed the playground and when teachers were out of the classroom to be the two most problematic times for students when they were most likely to feel disrespected by adults. Students did report that using Stop, Walk, Check and Talk and ignoring others were strategies they were using with success. It was noted that reiterating to teachers that they need to stay with their students at all times and taking reports of issues on the playground seriously were two courses of action we could take to support our students.

Chairman Jones asked to discuss the issue of the school's photography vendor. He reported having issues in his own family with having to have retakes and getting no response from the current company when requesting missing photos. Principal Peck shared that from the office perspective, the current company had been very easy to work with and fewer retakes were being requested. She also reminded the council that they decided to make the change of vendors two years ago due to a lower package price point for our current vendor. It was determined that Principal Peck will obtain current pricing information from Eastman Adams, Lifetouch, and Bell photography and bring that information to the next council meeting.

It was discussed that the council is still short one parent member, since Ms. Edwards is no longer with us. Principal Peck mentioned that the last week of January, the school was going to hold a parent involvement week. As part of that week, parents would be encouraged to attend the council meeting on February 1<sup>st</sup> to see how it worked and how they could become involved. It was recommended that we wait until that time to see if we had parents attend the meeting and appoint one of them to finish out Ms. Edwards' term.

Chairman Jones proposed that the council not meet on January 4<sup>th</sup> as previously scheduled as there are no action items pending. The next council meeting will be on February 1<sup>st</sup>, at 3:30 p.m. Agenda items will be photography vendor, community council membership, review of Land Trust budget and status of Title 1 funding.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.