

Hillside School Community Council Minutes May 3, 2021

In attendance: Dr. Pauline Longberg (Principal), Cindy Davis, Karen Bates (Chair), Becky Parker, Sydney Graybill, Joey Loveridge, Autumn Jeppson, Marie Porter, Sarah Geertsen, Jaime Hillier, and Erika Castro.

Visitor: Jessica Martinez (Family Center), Amy Burton, Allison Dexter, Lexie Veblungsnes.

Meeting was called to order at 5:02 by Karen Bates. Minutes were looked over from April's meeting. Marie Porter motioned to approve the minutes for the month of April, it was seconded by Cindy Davis, and was unanimously approved by the SCC committee.

Dr. Longberg thanked the PTA for all their hard work during teacher appreciation week. All staff members felt very appreciated.

There will be \$50,000 rolled over from the TSSA and Landtrust accounts for next year. The Landtrust budget for next year was submitted. The money will be used to pay aides and technology. Other funds will support a possible interventionist.

Amy Burton talked to the SCC about adjustments to the school dress code. No students will be sent home if violating the dress code. Students will need to call home for a change of clothes. If no one answers, the school will provide something for the student to wear for the remainder of the day. See through leggings are not allowed. It is okay to wear hats outside, but not in the building unless it is a school activity. Flip flops and sandals are discouraged to prevent injury, but they are allowed. Pictures to help clarify how a student should measure the length of their shorts, skirts, or dresses will be sent home with dress code information at the end of the school year. This information will also be pushed out on different platforms.

Asking for an informational meeting regarding grade reconfiguration will push forward the process of 6th grade going to Jr. High. If the school waits out the process and doesn't request an informational meeting it could mean more time before 6th grade is moved to the Jr. High. The SCC unanimously voted against having an informational meeting. It is possible that there will still be a meeting, but we will go on the record as not wanting an informational meeting.

Questions came up about Playworks and fundraising. Playworks provides a recess coach who provides structured play and strategies on how to solve conflict. Kids will still have the choice to have free play during that recess time, but structured activities are available. Concerns were brought up about what happens to the money that has been donated if the goal of \$28,000 is not made. The money will go towards equipment, prizes, and incentives.

Dr. Longberg will send out information to families regarding summer learning resources. She would like to have time during the summer to interact with families and set up times and certain topics to talk with families who are interested.

Karen Bates thanked everyone who participates in the community council for their time and input. She also wanted to thank Dr. Longberg for communicating so well with the community. All the different platforms to reach out to the community have been very helpful and appreciated.

Next Meeting (for anyone that can attend): Monday, August 2nd

All meetings to be held at 5:00 virtually via ZOOM. Contact Dr. Longberg for a link to attend.

Karen Bates said she will look over the parent handbook during the summer and will be ready to discuss August 2nd. If you are unable to attend the meeting, but have input, send an email to Dr. Longberg about your thoughts and input.

On the agenda for the next meeting.

Problem solving decision tree

Parent handbook

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08.