

Kennedy Junior High

Community Council Meeting

October 9, 2018 3 PM

Welcome and attendance: Brenda Shamo: Brenda Shamo, Mary Basso, Rebecca Ibarra, Andrew Anthony, Brian Barnum, Cindy Turner, Katie Allen, Iliana Sigler, Christie Rasmussen, Karen Winder (City Council), John Talbot, Detective Millet, and Erick Brondum, WVC Public Works.

Traffic crossing in front of school update: Mary Basso explained that she had Don Adams, Assistant Superintendent over Support Services, and Danny Stirland, Assistant Superintendent over Junior High Schools, come out and they said that about all she could do as a Principal is post signs. Detective Millet explained that the reason there was not a flashing light cross walk in front of the school is because when there is a traffic light, that takes the place and they do not do both. He explained the crosswalk to the south is for Academy park and is a school zone, but the crossing area to the north with flashing lights is part of the trail system and is maintained by the county. Mary showed footage of how parents are flipping u turns, dropping off kids to cross busy streets or cut across two lanes of cars in drop off. One parent asked if we could have a crossing guard. City said they only provide for elementaries because Jr High students often do not listen to a crossing guard and they do elem. because students are so short. Council asked if parents could volunteer to help with safety. Det. Millet said that parents could cross with the students, but could not hold up any type of sign. Parents asked if there could be more frequent patrol in the mornings and if they could cite parents who were breaking laws. Det. Millet said that most effective would be educating parents, posting safe routes on social media, put signs for no drop off, and designate any type of procedure etc. But he saw the biggest problem was to do something to make it so that the drop off flowed more effectively so that parents would use the drop off for safest option. He suggested for Community Council to come up with a plan and then work with the city to implement.

Turn around update: Mary had yearly plan compiled by Mary and Ed Direction, that will be submitted to the state and district. The plan consists of looking at and improving instruction, engagement, and PLC (or looking at data).

Counselor's center update: Counselors are getting ready for CCR appointments for 7th and 8th graders. They would like to meet with every student and parent. There will be an email, text and phone call giving more information and how to set up appointments with an online scheduler. They can also do a phone call when student is in meeting. Reality town is coming up on Nov 16th.

Review Land Trust plan from 2017-2018: Mary showed the pre-test scores for each subject. Our goals are based on percentile growth on Benchmarks and common assessments.

Discuss 2018-2019 Land Trust plan: Ms. Basso showed what money we have spent thus far from land trust. Teacher salary for two periods in English. Remediation paraprofessional, binders for organization, substitute teachers for 3 planning days for all Core Teachers, and 2 smart boards. With the excess money Ms. Basso proposed to use it for four Saturday school days (to provide an extra chance for assessments due to the new need for proficiency based grading.) and to buy 15 surface pro tablets and screen beams for teachers. With the surface pro, the teacher is not tied to his/her desk, he/she can have students show work and thinking on the tablet and others in the class can see it. There is more engagement and more of a 1 on 1 student feel. She has purchased 10 already with school money. This

will be almost enough for every teacher and then they will take the teacher chrome book and make a cart for an additional class to have chrome books. Katie Allan motioned to approve the proposals, John Talbot Seconded it and it was unanimous in favor. Concerns were advertising the Saturday schools, the business of parents on Saturday and the need to have it extremely organized. Plans to do all of those things were discussed.

Last month's minutes approved: Andrew Anthony motioned to approve last month's minutes, Katie Allan seconded it and there was a unanimous vote of approval.

Next meeting November 13, 2018