



Community Council Minutes

Orchard Elementary Conference Room

Tuesday December 12, 2017

- In attendance – Dave Madsen (Chair), Lorri Thorne (Teacher), Leona Chandler (Principal), Lisel Zito (Parent)
- Call to Order – meeting began at 5:24 pm
- Minutes approved unanimously
- Council Business – welcomed new parent member to Community Council – Lisel Zito
- Principal's Report:
 - Reviewed Land Trust Budget 2018 – budget mostly on target, however, losing two para-educators. Will continue to advertise and review applicants, need at least 2 hires
 - With Bond passing, school scheduled for rebuild in 2023. District strongly discouraged spending on new playground equipment. Need to consider other uses for fundraised money. We should voice our playground preferences (swings!) around 2020/2021 with new school plans. Most likely have new principal.
- Safety Concerns – crosswalks (new design mostly working well); red air days (get creative and use hallways)
- Corporate Grants & Business Partnership Opportunities – discussed a few ideas for major projects:
 - Get grant application specifics from David (Western Digital)
 - Follow up with Amanda about restaurants on 5600 West
 - Robotics club: Amanda and Dave got info for VEX IQ kits; Leona will speak with Shelly Johnson (6th grade) and Gabby Roh (5th) about kit options, existing inventory, preferences.
 - 3D printer in library: range in price from \$300-1000+, there are also project and curriculum ideas on internet. Dave will follow up with Magna Library regarding their experiences.
 - STEM assembly (school visit from astronaut), tailored visit with strong STEM message, cost about \$1000 – half day in school. Could reduce cost if arranged for multiple school visits.
 - **Will decide on project/grant plan at next meeting**
- Updating Website – get info to Traci Farley (Lisel Zito info, minutes and agenda 1 week prior)
- Coordinating Efforts with PTA – brief mention to work together/share efforts to partner with local businesses.
- Meeting concluded at 6:03 pm