South Kearns Elementary Community Council Minutes

Date: 09/19/22

Time: 5:00pm

- Council Members in Attendance: Kim Babka, Grace Morrell, Brianna Wallace, Danielle Sanchez, Danny Sanchez, Christine Figueroa
- Grace Morell ran the meeting due to the fact we do not have a chairperson yet. She welcomed all members, and it was decided Kim Babka would type the notes.
- District Community Council Booklets were distributed to members. Grace asked for members to turn to pg. 13 to review rules and procedures.
- Members were then asked to turn to pg. 10 of the booklet to clarify responsibilities of members. Danielle Sanchez agreed to be the vice-chair. Brianna motioned for Danielle to be elected vice-chair. Christine second the motion and Danielle was elected as the new vice-chair by unanimous decision.
- Kim Babka reviewed celebrations and successes to this year's Continuous Improvement Plan (CIP) goals. She cited being able to add four new faculty members. She explained the new structure for Tier 1 differentiated small groups for ELA and the new math program. Both of these new structures in place will help the school reach their goals. She also discussed student data trackers and how research has shown that when students track with data, they are more likely to work harder toward their goals. (John Hattie Research) Aside from academic goals, Principal Babka also celebrated success in school culture and climate citing some of the programs now offered at South Kearns. They have Lego League, a school band, and a school choir.
- Principal Babka then informed the members that South Kearns is almost fully staffed. All grade levels have three teachers, they just filled the head custodian position, and they just need 4 more SPED paraprofessionals for the AA Special classes. Each AA class has one para but they are funded to have two paras per AA class. She also stated we are needing to hire a Behavioral Health Aide (BHA). She will continue to repost these jobs until filled.
- The council members then discussed Safe Technology and Digital Citizenship. The members of the council agreed that it would be a good idea to incorporate this community training as part of the "Winterfest" Family Night in December.
- Council members then reviewed Proficiency Based Learning information on pg.15 of the GSD booklet.
- Principal Babka then reviewed the 2022-23 Land Trust budget. All allocated money in the Land Trust budget is being used to pay for the salary of a teacher.
- Next meeting will be on Monday, October 17th.