



**Gearld Wright Elementary Community Council Meeting Minutes  
January 18, 2022, 4 p.m.**

**In attendance:** Kristi Reather, Charlene, Marianne Johnson, Catherine Noble, Cindy Rodriguez, Justin Holt

Charlene motions to start meeting Marianne 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion.

- **Approved notes from previous meeting held Tuesday, Nov.16, 2021 (Cindy)**
- **Course and student enrollment priorities: (Kristie)**  
We do not have the projections yet. We will know more in March. Right now, we have 94 students in 6<sup>th</sup> grade and 48 in kindergarten.
- **Collect data, review progress, and modify budgets and expenditures as needed (Kristie)**  
Reviewed progress and discussed budgets, expenditures, and modified as needed. We hired new 6<sup>th</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teachers. We also hired a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher, but only had her for 47 days, then quit. That is what we are using our money for.
- **Review report for 2019-2020 (Kristie)**  
Unfortunately, it is hard to compare scores because we did not have 2019 scores. We are using our POP scores which are compared to the rest of the nation. Kindergarten, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grade all went up for middle of the year. The state wants us at 60%, but we did not meet that goal. With our upper grades we are working on comprehension, and with our lower grades, we are working with what teachers need. In comparison to other schools, we are doing good, but we would like to be at 80%. Hired a new 2<sup>nd</sup> grade teacher to help with test scores, and to assist teachers with whatever they may need. We are focused on using research-based programs for our students. Smaller classes are what is most important for teachers and that is where we will spend our LAND trust money. We will be looking into summer school once again if we have leftover money.
- **Choose Kindness Grant (Charlene)**  
We will be teaching lessons to our students on choosing kindness. Jessica, our social worker, will teach the 1<sup>st</sup> lesson of the month, student ambassadors will also teach lessons, and the 4<sup>th</sup> lesson will be taught by our teachers.

- Charlene from our School's Community Council represents us at the District Community Council.
- New School LAND Trust website new as of January 15
- We will be talking about reconfiguration of 6<sup>th</sup> grade going to Middle School instead of Elementary School. Discussed different goals and achievements we went through to be able to become a STEM school. Also, we discussed separate ways to let people know we are a STEM school.
- Next meeting Tuesday, Feb. 15, 4 p.m.

Charlene motion to end, Jason 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion