

## **Community Council Minutes (Draft)**

September 14, 2020

**Attending:** Brad Bench, Jeff Harrah, Jennifer Morgan, Blain Wilson, Heidi Gunn, Kristina Puriri, Stephanie Jernagin, Eric Campell, Kristina Stout.

**Excused:** Amber Guerisoli

**Welcome:** Mr. Bench Welcomed and began meeting.

No minutes available to approve due to Covid shutdown two days after last meeting.

### **Introduction of New Council Members**

New council members were introduced.

### **Review of Council Requirements and Election of Council Chairs**

Mr. Bench talked about the checklist for parent members of a community council as well as the checklist for community council officers. Blaine Wilson is the acting chairperson. A co-chair is needed as well as a secretary. Mr. Bench explained the process of nomination and voting in new officers. Nominations were made for a co-chair and Stefanie Jernagin was unanimously voted as co chair. Nominations were made for secretary to take minutes and Jennifer Morgan was unanimously voted as Secretary.

### **Review and Establish Meeting Norms**

It was decided to carry on with existing norms of cell phones turned to vibrate, start/end meetings on time, respectful of each other in conversation.

### **Review SCMS Mission Statement**

Mr. Bench explained the history with the statement and what SCMS is doing to commit to ensuring students with academic and social skills for lifelong success. Focus for Academic Skills is on the Essential Components of the State Core (GVC) along with the 21st century skills of critical thinking and creativity. Focus for Social Skills is on the 21st Century Skills of Communication and Collaboration as well as teaching Responsible Citizenship. Eric Campbell explained how he and Mrs. April Anderson use GVC's for 9th Grade Science and how nice it is to have a team to work together with. One member emphasized the importance of social skills. Another member appreciates the focus on the whole child and another agreed and wants kids to succeed in more than just academics. The group discussed the fact that kids want to be in school and are willing to do what it takes to be here. Teachers, are collaborating with each other more than they have in years past

### **TSSP discussion**

Mr. Bench stated that we do have a plan even though we do not have any testing data from last year to go from. The plan will be discussed in the next meeting. Data that we do have and will use are our at risk students and our “pass rate” and student connections to school.

### **Other Business**

Canvas was implemented at the beginning of last year which helped when we had to go to online classes. We are going to continue to learn and use Canvas so that we are ready in case of another shutdown.

The proposed community calendar for the year was discussed. It was supposed to be done last April but wasn't due to shut down. The calendar was proposed to the council and it was unanimously decided that it looked good.

The question was asked by a member about the needs of students and teachers due to covid. It was discussed how the district provided the ability to be able to choose face shields which was a big help for the teachers. Free mental health help through counseling has been provided for teachers. There were steps taken to keep chromebooks clean. The hand sanitizer isn't a favorite among teachers and students.

The meeting was adjourned until October 12, 2020.