

Columbia Elementary
School Community Council Meeting
Monday, November 13, 2017

4:30-5:30 PM

In attendance: Kathe Riding, Angie Drope, Tiffany Southworth, Sara Vest, Krisse Prestwich, Tami Smith, Suzette Johnson

Agenda Items

Approve Minutes from the last meeting: held on September 18, 2017

Suzette Johnson moved to approve the minutes for September 18, 2017, with the benefits of Title One amended. Tiffany Southworth seconded.

Title One:

- Benefits updated and reviewed. Title One audit in January. The Title One benefits will be posted on the website.
- Minor and major behaviors, so far this year, are at 137 referrals. This is compared to last year at 258.
- Hallway behavior has been turned in with at least 90% on task behavior (voices off, hands to self, walking on right side of the hallway).
- Our district behavior specialist has given us other positive ideas and ways to approach student behavior.
- Parents gave compliments to Mrs. Carpenter, 1st grade teacher.

Land Trust:

- Land Trust report for last year turned in. It is currently being reviewed. Our greatest need is ELL student support and writing instruction.
- There will be a vote in the January meeting.

Reports:

- The DIBELS cottage nights were very helpful to parents. We have done 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades. We will have Kindergarten, 4th, 5th and 6th after Christmas
- Grades 1, 2, 3 are doing Amplify progress monitoring for DIBELS

- SAGE Benchmark practice tests will start in December. They are short (6-10) question tests, that allow teachers to target the student needs immediately.
- Students have been opted out of the Benchmarks will not take the SAGE Benchmark test, but instead will get an exit ticket on the same concept.
- Mrs. Riding discussed an idea she had: increase reading time at school and home to replace homework being brought home.
 - Research shows that students in 5th grade who read 40 minutes a day, scored in the 90th percentile on testing.
 - Ideas from parents were discussed: some kind of informational coversheet that reviewed math and ELA concepts being taught in class, so parents could reinforce them at home.
 - Send only work home that was not finished in class.

Safety:

- SNAP will be reviewed in January School Community Council meeting to be ready for the February SNAP signing meeting.

Wellness:

- Playworks Junior Coaches are teaching game rules to students on the playground at recess.
- Crosswalks were repainted, signs for no parking were updated to include “during school hours.”
- Real Feel temperature is 28 degrees or colder for students to stay inside. Air Quality is monitored and watched closely.

Calendar:

- Honor Roll is November 17
- Hearing Testing is November 28
- January 8 SCC meeting has been moved to January 22 due to scheduling conflict

Celebrate Columbia’s Success:

- Each teacher made 10 positive phone calls home to parents.
- We will be sending postcards to students who got 70% or better on benchmarks.

Meeting adjourned at 5:09pm