Highland Elementary School

Minutes of the School Community Council Meeting

Thursday, February 2, 2017

SCC Members Present: Reed Hodson, Jaime Ward, Catherine Pavia, Jaci Olsen, Lynne Mower, Fenja Heinrich, Mae Wykstra

Teachers Present: Gay Beck, Mark Milne, Randy Ockey, Marrianne Asay, Robert Hawvermale

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 3:45 p.m.

School Report: Mr. Hodson

- Dibels Report
 - The data compares ASD with all other north cluster schools.
 - o We did pretty well, but could still do better.
 - o ASD goal is for all schools to have 90% passing.
 - The test gets harder as it goes (It's not a benchmark where once you pass, you've passed and are done. Once you pass, you keep working hard to get better.)
 - We have two para-educators helping out.
 - Kindergarten has been using intervention time and had significant improvement from last year to this year.
- Amendment B passed which means we will receive more Trust Lands money this year... about 30% more.
- Three teachers retiring at the end of this year: Dr. Faulk, Mrs. Wolfe, and Mrs. Botkin

CTL Discussion on Needs/Wants for 2017-18:

- Teachers have really appreciated the aide help with interventions for Dibels this year.
- Some of the grades (at least K, 5th, and possibly 3rd) would love to have at least 2 summer collaboration days. There is a district summer collaboration grant that teachers often apply for, but not everyone is able to get it.
- 3rd grade would like a Chromebook cart (around \$250-300 and would need 35)
 - o great for online testing and Utah Compose
 - it's difficult from March-May to have use of technology because it's needed so often for testing
- 2nd grade would like an iPad cart
 - o Mr. Hodson thinks we may be able to buy one more iPad cart this year
- 1st grade: Miss Heinrich
 - Would love to see a summer reading program (similar to what Freedom Elementary does)
 - 3 weeks 4 days a week a teacher/aide work with a group of 20 for K and/or 1st grade that are borderline grade level
 - o Could use 2 teachers or 1 teacher/1 aide
- 4th grade: Very happy with the microphones we did this year... they are very helpful.

CTL Discussion continued:

- 5th grade
 - o Summer grant
 - o Part time math aide for upper grades (Mrs. Jones was such a huge asset.)
 - Right now they use before school or prep time to catch kids up
 - It would be very helpful to have an aide 4 hrs/day
- 6th grade
 - o Also talked about having an aide
 - o There's a science curriculum change from this year to next year
 - They may need extra books, supplies (for example, things like models for molecules)
 - Possibly summer collaboration time to work on new curriculum
 - Could possibly use technology
 - Would like Chromebooks instead of iPads (6th grade doesn't really use apps)...
 would need 40

Next Meeting: March 2, 2017

Meeting ended: 4:40 p.m.