

Elk Meadows Elementary
School Community Council Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 10, 2021
9:15 am

Call to order: 9:20 am

In attendance: Shannon Bird, Caroline Morley, Melissa Darby, Marni Reid, Lisa Bird, Azita Wilson, Ashley Ivie, Stephanie Johnson, Kim Wimmer, Jaada Olson, Tiffany Smith, Sue Davis

1. Netsmartz – chosen by committee to present internet safety to school – how to be safe online – deciding for 2022-2023 school year – motion to approve by Shannon Bird, second by Kim Wimmer
2. Landtrust – Theatre half of Mr. Duncan salary paid by Landtrust the remaining salary using Beverly Taylor Sorensen grant for the year, computers – switched to STEM – and is a great move for the kids being involved in programming and technology, library, PE time. Programs used to help kids: reflex and other programs. Scholastic Book Flex animated program for “inside” recess days – is an idea of where we can use our money. Literacy assistant also paid from this fund. Approximately \$100,000 for each year used to help our school purchase for the school – dollar amount varies per student enrollment.

Frax, ExplorLearning program focused on learning fractions, mentioned of how to purchase for school. 6th grade teacher applied for grant to work on learning program – trying out program to see if this is something we should/can use for our students.

Battle of the Books program mentioned by committee member – fun program for the kids – reading incentive program happening outside of school. Parents run small groups of kids and work toward comprehension – asking questions to help kids understand. Program for after school. Completely parent led. If committee wants to support, how much does it cost?

3. Safe Route – safe walking plan for kids on how to get to school. Crossing Guards are placed by city and have rules to follow. Talk with Bus Department to see if the busses can even turn west onto 9800 South with new median placed on 9800 South. Plan will be presented and approved at next meeting.
4. Yearbooks - a little confusion about program and who Bell should be contacting. Yearbook people talking with PTA instead of community council. Caroline working on getting a contact at Bell Photography to work toward yearbooks. Pictures will have names printed on standing pictures as questioned by a few teachers. Money used on this fundraiser could be used to fund Battle of the Books, a teacher thank you gift near the end of the year or work to decide how to spend the remaining dollars. \$15.00 suggested dollar for purchase.

5. Dress Code - loophole in the policy – if we wanted to change then we have to survey the parents and then present to the School Board and receive an approval vote for the change we would like to make. The focus of the new dress code is: this is making it difficult to learn in the classroom – this is the basis of the focus of the dress policy. Motion to approve the dress code presented to us by the school board: Lisa Bird second by: Azita Wilson.

Our 5th grade team received a shout out by the Jordan School District Superintendent Anthony Godfrey at the school board meeting. They presented how the Walk to Read program is working and helping students with reading. Teachers now have the ability to present information to parents and what your child needs to work on at Parent Teacher Conferences. Teachers are loving the program because they feel they are helping students learn to read.

Adjourn: 10:13 am

Next Meetings: 1/19/22, 3/16/22, and 5/18/22