

# School Community Council

Cherry Creek Elementary  
2018-2019

**Month:** Wednesday, April 10, 2019

**Next Meeting:** TBD (SCC Dinner)

## Members:

Mike Duncan (principal)

Sandi Smartt (teacher)

Chalyce Peck (council facilitator)

Tabitha Pacheco, Kerry Hoisington, Kate Kubina, Tina Grover

## Minutes from March 6, 2019 :

- ★ Sandi started the meeting out (She conducted since Tina was not here today)
- ★ Sandi turned the time over to Chalyce to read the minutes
- ★ Sandi then turned time over to Michelle, our literacy coach, to learn the district's stance on spelling.
- ★ Michelle passed out an article to everyone titled, "Fostering Lifelong Spellers Through Meaningful Experiences"
  - There are students that have anxiety when they are spelling and taking tests
  - Michelle talked about it being more involved with a lesson rather than separate. We want to focus on the process of spelling. The phonology, morphology and in our writing.
  - There is meaning in what we are reading and writing. This is taking place, but we want to make sure that it is taking place in a valuable way.
  - The district says that teaching spelling is important. Though how to assess it won't be
  - We want to focus on the process: How do we learn to spell? What are we thinking? Phonics is really what helps. We just need to see as it goes up into grades 4-6.
  - Learning the lists in isolation aren't transferring the knowledge. Teaching them the Greek and Latin roots will help them more. Make sure that it is happening across the board.
  - Spelling for Older Students (look into the program for students - lesson plans)
  - Mike mentioned that they may possibly be moving towards having a Phonics program for the upper grades (4-6). Mike mentioned how great the Phonics was and that he watched Mrs. Golding and her first graders were amazing with the Phonics they learned.
  - Michelle will talk with Selene (district literacy coach) about what they will do about upper grades.
- ★ Wellness from Teresa Chang
  - Teresa talked about having wellness on the website so students can be part of the program.
  - Mike mentioned possibly having a second PE instead of computers.
  - Teresa talked about healthy snacks and having something different than treats for birthdays and parties. Mike will encourage the staff to have healthy snacks
  - Employee part, most people have done there part for the 7,000 steps.
  - Sandi brought up being able to keep the data in the wellness program and save the information from year to year. Also, it wouldn't let you do certain doctors or anything.
  - Don't have to worry about smart snacks.
  - Encourage parents to be healthier and bring healthy snacks.
- ★ Proposed Budget
- ★ Wages will go up a bit because of 3% increase in living.
- ★ Mike added Angie Snyder to the technicians under Trustlands (but would only be librarian)
- ★ Reflex is still in the budget, depending on the survey.
- ★ Any carry over money left over will need to go towards Battle of the Books or just books

- ★ The numbers are looking good for next year, so the number of teachers will be the same.
- ★ Battle of the books
- ★ Chalyce talked about the Reflex Math Survey results. 75% say yes, 25% don't care either way, no one said no. 2nd grade uses it every day, 1st grade: some use it, some don't, 3rd grade, all of them use it, 4th grade all use it, but not everyday, 5th grade uses it every day, 6th and Kindergarten don't use it at all.
- ★ One response brought up what to do for those that hit 100% proficiency. Mike mentioned that the district is looking to help those with the Gifted and Talented program. That should start next year.
- ★ Kate motioned to keep the Reflex Math program for next year, Sandi seconded it and everyone voted AYE
- ★ Mike motioned to approve the proposed budget, Kate seconded it. Everyone voted AYE.
- ★ Chalyce was going to present on the Reading Vision, but the lovely Mrs. Clark came instead to talk about the numbers she had proposed. We are doing awesome with our vision. Last year, at the middle of the year we had students increase to being on grade level was 17%. This year we are at 41%.
- ★ Mike mentioned the goal wording for our Goals.
- ★ Sandi motioned to end our meeting, Mike seconded it. Everyone said AYE.

### **Attendance for February 6, 2019:**

- ★ Present: Mike Duncan, Chalyce Peck, Kate Kubina, Sandi Smartt
- ★ Absent: Kerry Hoisington, Tabitha Pacheco, Tina Grover

### **Agenda Items:**

- ★ Sign the School Improvement Plan
- ★ Battle of the Books
- ★ Principal transition
- ★ Dinner Plans
- ★ Suggestions for next year

### **Other:**

### **Future Discussion Items:**

- ★ Customer Communities (Kerry)
- ★ Ways to reach out to Hispanic population (Tabitha)

## **Cherry Creek School Community Council Rules of Order 2018-2019**

1. Monthly meetings will generally be held the first Wednesday of each month at 4:00 pm during the school year at in the conference room.
2. Council members are expected to be in attendance at each meeting. If circumstances do not permit attendance the council member will contact the council chairman, vice-chairman, or facilitator in advance of the meeting.
3. Meetings will be held to one hour whenever possible.
4. The council chairperson conducts the meetings.
5. The facilitator will prepare an agenda for each meeting after consulting with the chairman and principal.
6. The facilitator will post the meeting agenda and minutes from previous meeting on the school website one week in advance of the meeting.
7. Each council member will be given opportunity to express ideas and opinions without fear of personal criticism. Each member will treat every other member with respect and make an honest effort to understand other's points of view. The council will strive to reach consensus on decisions.
8. All votes will be taken as a counted vote.
9. Visitors will be allowed if approved by principal. Visitors will be given a maximum of 5 minutes to present.