

CSC Meeting Agenda

Date: 1/24/2024	Time: 4:00 - 5:30
Subject: CSC Meeting	Location: School Library

Chair: Meredith Strumor, 3rd grade teacher	Co-Chair: Steve Farley, Community Member
Attendees:	
Ken Burdette, Principal	Cristy Dimaria, Parent
Maggie Bixby, AP	Kristy Lyons, Parent
Scott Gacon, Parent	Dawn Mendel, Community Member
Julia Jackson, Parent	Erica Ruge, Parent
Hollie Birkholz , Parent	Tim Troha , Parent
Serri Mills, 5th Grade Teacher	Erika Neale, Kindergarten Teacher (absent)
Katie Main, 3rd Grade Teacher	

Agenda

1. Welcome (4:03)
2. (4:07) Review and Approve the minutes from the last meeting on 11/15/23
 - Approved unanimously
3. Updates
 - Bike Grant
 - Students in 5th grade wrote a grant and received 11k from DPS
 - Addition bike racks
 - Bike service station

- Adding fencing to have a locked bike area
 - If budget allows adding solar lights
 - All of the things should be implemented by the end of the year
- Safety Team via PTSA and Crossing Guard
 - Nicole McSpirit is in charge of crossing and is responsible for getting some signs changed
 - DPS employee
 - She is working on with Ken on making Elm one way the whole way and making Fairfax one way north
 - Working on safer crossing at Montview and 17th
 - Tim Troha is a part of the PTSA group working on safer routes to school
- DPS Board – EL – 19 and other measures are no longer on the table
- February is Kindness Month – Kindness Campaign with 5th grade leaders
 - Student leaders are working on the details
 - The goal is that students recognize the kindness in others
- Enrichment
 - Up and running for enrollment for this semester
 - The plan is to continue as is this semester and then switch over to a third party vendor for next year
 - When talking to other schools they are happy with the vendors and how it is streamlined
 - The only concern is that the extended learning department may be facing budget cuts
 - The cost to us for the third party vendor is minimal to us – if we use this it would be a low cost to us
 - If the program is cut then we will probably continue as is
 - Hoping to have a trimester system in order to provide more variety and to align with the school schedule

- Memorial for Amy Maes
 - Wear green
 - Chuck and Ken are working with DPS to get a bench in her honor on the playground
 - Plans for mental health resources for staff and students in the event that they need more support

4. Planning and Prep for 24/25

- Retiring staff, new hires
 - Bernadette Miller is going to be retiring at the end of the school year so we will be hiring a new kindergarten teacher next year
 - A few paraprofessionals will be moving on at the end of the year
 - Looking to hire at least another ½ time special education teacher
- Budget Review
 - Meeting is next week so we will circle back as a team
 - Expenses and salaries are rising
 - 110,000k is the average salary that the school pays per teacher
 - Projections – 654 (K–5) (increasing from current year 657) at approximately 6k per pupil
 - We are among the lowest in the district for per pupil
 - Carry forward about 40k (typical for the last 3 years)
 - Substitute teachers
 - Materials
 - Teacher coverage for leave
 - No longer receiving CARES assistance (26k)
 - Need to add 0.5 FTE for special education to help with caseload and looking for budget assistance for another 0.5 FTE
 - Looking for about 50k from the district or look at the paras not coming back and see if we can

use the funds to support that 0.5 position

- We will no longer have the luxury of a floating para. All paras will be assigned to a classroom. Using the funds for special education.
- Auction – February 23rd
 - Goal is 200,000K
 - Already allocated from PTSA for next year

5. Next time topics

- Middle school choice