



Highland Park Elementary School Community Council

Minutes
September 17, 2020

Zoom Meeting Info:

Topic: HP SCC Meeting September

<https://slcschools-org.zoom.us/j/92464045070?pwd=N0pIVFp1RWJUMVVXSUN6UFdiTUMwUT09>

Members in Attendance: Edie Morgan (Interim Chair); Sonal Kerr (Parent Rep); Jenny Hatch (Parent); David Oliva (Parent); Cynthia Remke (Parent Rep); Mariane Tyson (Parent); Spring Smith (Parent Rep); April Garff (Parent Rep); Amanda Longwell (Parent); Jenny Hatch (Parent); Jennifer Larkin (Parent Rep); Erica Chamblee (Parent Rep); Valarie Blamires (SIC Rep); Heidi Boogert (SIC Chair); TJ Wolfe (Employee); Shannon Higgins (Vice Chair); Bruce Simpson (Parent Rep); Becky Pittam (School Leadership); and Debora Cluff (Principal).

Welcome: Edie Morgan welcomed members

Approval of August Minutes: Edie Morgan reviewed the minutes. Sonal Kerr motioned to accept the minutes as written. Spring Smith seconded the motion. All in favor.

HP Elementary Positive Behavior Plan: TJ Wolfe shared the plan with the SCC and is sending it out to the council for additional suggestions. Questions that were asked were how we are implementing SEL for students in assemblies and other ways. How we

are helping students understand Covid. How are helping increase coping and resilience with online learning.

Community Concerns:

- Clarification regarding Wednesday and digital learning. Becky Pittam shared that digital learning on Wednesday should be at least 4 hours for grades 1-6 and at least 2 hours for kindergarten. During that time, teachers are to provide a total of 2 hours of small group instruction. The remainder of the that time is to be for planning, collaboration, and reaching out to families.
- Clarification as to calendar. The non-student days have been adjusted to digital days. The rest of the calendar days are the same as the board agreed upon with the exception of the school year being extended by a day or two.
- Online learning feedback:
 - Positives: Great content; teachers responsive; schedules are very helpful; the advance notice of schedule; teachers are diving into this new type of learning; teachers communicating well; the help with technology; teacher effort; patience with the students; can hear students interacting with learning; great to see the students and peers; appreciation for teacher and admin efforts; and open Zoom meetings that provide accessibility to teachers.
 - Suggestions/Concerns: When students are directed to UTube videos, they automatically go to the next video in cue and students don't know to come back; More Zoom meetings to access more teacher instruction; students are needing more parental input or help; difficult with multiple children and small space; in some cases the schedule is not being communicated and so students are unsure where to be or what materials need to be ready; unclear regarding Wednesday expectations; concerns regarding students staying engaged especially with working parents; helpful if teachers could check links from a user point of view to make sure they work; by end of day students are

needing some mindful breaks to decrease some over-stimulation; technology glitches; in some cases needing more student/teacher interaction; connectivity an issue; a way parents can be informed of what student completed for the day and notice of missing work; and students unengaged playing with other technology or items.

2020-2021 School Community Council Membership and Election

Members on SCC for 2020-2021: All members in attendance in the September meeting with the exception of Becky Pittam, our School Leadership representative, will be voting members of the council.

Jennifer Larkin was nominated by Sonal Kerr. Edie Morgan seconded the nomination. All in favor.

Amanda Longwell was nominated by Edie Morgan to be the Special Education advocate/representative. Spring Smith seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Secretary Position was not filled. We will reach out for a representative to fill this position in our next meeting. Debora Cluff will continue to do the minutes until the position is filled.

Other: A motion was made to change the October date to October 22nd due to fall break by Spring Smith. TJ Wolfe seconded the motion. All in favor.

Meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on October 22, 2020 at 6:00 pm.