

**SunRidge School
Charter Council Meeting
Minutes for 4/25/18**

Call to Order: 6:05 p.m.

Present: Kalen, Heather, Rebecca, Deidra, Laurie, Inna, Elisabeth

Absent: Linda

Guests: Jamie Morrissette, Curt Quantz

Note taker: Theresa Thomasson

Quorum: yes

Approval of agenda: Item E tabled; Inna/Deidra 4/0

Correspondence: Kalen received correspondence from several 7th grade parents; received a Waldorf Around the World card from South Korea.

Approval of minutes for 3/20/2018: Deidra/ Inna 4/0

Open Session & Announcements: Inna brought a question to the CC about the assignment review process and is requesting the CC to see that the process is being followed. She passed out handouts as a reference. Rebecca brought up a concern about students leaving campus and the legality around this issue for the school.

A) Review Action Items/Old Business

All Action Items/ Old Business completed with the exception of the following:

B) Admin Report (pledge, enrollment, testing, hiring, suicide prevention ed.)

Pledge/enrollment – Pledge is not yet on track to meet the budgeted amount. Reminders and letters are being sent to help close the gap. Current enrollment is doing well. Enrollment for next year is looking strong.

Bereavement – Teachers are getting help and are being supported as needed. A Meal Train and Go-fund Me have been established for the family and the teachers have also received some meals from their families in their class.

Hiring – Kalen spoke about possible position placements/assignments for the upcoming school year.

National Walkout – Last Friday 8th graders planned to leave campus as part of an organized Walk out. The teacher set it up as a walking field trip with an agenda such as meeting with the police department. A few issues arose and they will need to be addressed with Kalen, the teacher and some of the students. In the future, parents will be called if students do not stay with the group.

Suicide prevention education – This presentation for 7th and 8th grade students is scheduled for early May.

Misc. – SunRidge had a float entered in the Apple Blossom Parade and it was very well received. The entry won 1st place in the non-profit category. May Faire is coming up. The Spring Concert was great. It exemplified teachers with high standards get great results.

C) Distribute 2018-19 Calendar

Copies of the 2018-19 calendar were distributed to the CC members.

D) 8th grade trip approval Action

No information available yet. This will be brought back next month.

E) Budget negotiations update

Tabled until next month

F) LCAP/student survey results

Kalen reported very few changes in results from last year for 5th grade. 7th grade had more changes than last year; seems fairly significant. Emotional culture is an area that typically needs addressing for 7th graders. Nothing out of the ordinary comes up in the Parent and Staff surveys.

LCAP funding - Chrome books will need to be replaced soon and additional ones may need to be purchased; continue with Being Adept, Suicide prevention Ed. and 2nd year of Kim John Payne could be covered by LCAP.

G) Safe School Plan update

Kalen reviewed plan that is updated annually in the fall. Some of the goals have been completed and some are ongoing. Admin. team will go through the emergency supplies and practice set-up in late June.

H) Site Committee

Site committee met yesterday (Callie, Vanessa, Willie, Kalen). The Worm Wizards are working with Vanessa designing worm bins, 6th grade is working on posters about how to use the worm bins. Callie received a \$400 grant to purchase irrigation supplies from Harmony Supply to irrigate trees on the slope between the parking lot and the upper field. 2 other items discussed were: Google sheets are being created to cover gardening needs on a seasonal basis and the need for storage. The committee needs to do some more research before prioritizing the auction proceeds list.

I) Long-term planning check-in & discussion

Long-term vision for SR at our current site – what would that look like? What does continued lease relation look like? Several Foundation members are working on a donor letter to approach groups that might have money to donate to SR. Rebecca and Deidra offered to work with the Foundation on this in the Fall.

J) School for Climate Change

Rebecca spoke about wanting our school to be involved in the initiative. CC members received a copy of the Twin Hills district resolution.

K) Membership planning

The CC currently needs 2 parent reps, 2 faculty reps and one community rep to maintain the current membership. Another option is to reduce parent rep and faculty rep by one each. At the very least, the CC needs 1-2 faculty reps and one community rep for the 2018-19 school year. Teachers will mention parent rep needs at their next parent evening.

Action – Updated CC membership list is needed, showing term length and end of term for each member.

L) Assign snack duty for May meeting

Linda will provide snacks (Thank you, Linda!) for our meeting on May 22.

Respectfully submitted,
Theresa Thomasson

Charter Council moved to closed session – personnel. No action taken.