The Kauri Sue Hamilton School

School Community Council Minutes

Monday, November 15, 2021

10:00 - a.m.

Kauri Sue Hamilton School Conference Room

Attendees: Courtney Titus, Amber Beck, April Sintz, Eden Withers, Cassie Bringhurst, Jenny Gunnell, Heather Miller

Excused: Mikell Gunderson, Emily Griffith, Rachael Farley, Robert Koontz

• Introductions-Attendees introduced themselves

• Review meeting notes from September-Minutes from last meeting were ratified.

• Volunteers & Community Involvement this year-Parents more nervous this year about COVID. Courtney is taking all community involvement on case by case basis right now. Council parents welcomed community involvement.

• Riverton PLT have been coming. Group of 12 come every week and go into classrooms. They wash their hands and wear masks.

• Juan Diego-They do their senior service project at Kauri Sue and will do it the first week of January 3-7. Participants will be vaccinated and in masks. Expect 20 – 25 students.

• Mountain Ridge Choir will probably do a Christmas performance as well.

• Substitutes-There is a shortage of subs and bus drivers. Courtney has had people interview just to meet requirements and people have worked one day only and quit. All full-time positions have been filled. The 25-hour positions are hard to fill. Now they can post part-time sub positions. Courtney picked up some great subs. Kauri Sue is using subs every day. There is a full-time sub position that can start in January.

• SIBS-2 sibs activities happened and they were great. 30-45 sibs were in attendance. Future dates are March 30th and May 25th from 6-7:30. Activities will be advertised closer to the dates.

• Boo To the Flu-The school will keep doing it in early October in future years. 300+ shots were given. The school gets money for each shot given.

• Health and Wellness @ KSHS-Cami Larsen heads up a staff committee. They did a staff fun run and staff had a fun time. In November they’ll be doing a gratitude challenge. Mikell produced papers for parents to do classroom thank you notes. Soup lunch will be provided for the staff. A prize will be given for the best soup made by staff members. Staff has a quick 5-minute staff workout activity at 8:30 every morning in room 202.

• Graduation-Pre-Covid Graduation was more formal. School staff likes what happened the last two years better. It was more about the kids and their families. Packets were made with grad picture, write ups, video of kids through the years, outside parents with music, and they talked about kids accomplishments over intercom. The parents loved it. School staff would like to go with this method in the future. No date set for this year, but possibly it will be the Friday before Memorial Day. That is when it was held last year. Parent feedback from graduates last year – they loved it and had a good time. Cap and Gown colors were changed this year. Now they are blue for the boys and silver for the girls.

• Spring Fling-Cassie thinking about continuing filming, but to incorporate bringing parents in for a community feel. The idea was presented to have a premier. Council parents are good with either.

• Partnering with other schools fundraiser. Mountain Ridge has committed $5000. Copperhills, Bingham, are Herriman are possibly going to donate too. Fort Herriman Middle does something for the kids every Christmas. April suggests a Saturday Jog a Thon fundraiser. Courtney suggested involving high schools.

• Parents have asked if there are KSHS T-shirts that they can buy. Courtney is looking into this possibility and what it would entail upfront.

• There are more KSHS families needing food this year. A Sub for Santa will take place this year.

• Teacher Appreciation – April had notes at home that she will bring next time or contact parents so they know what their assignments are.

• Future SCC meetings will be held in the main office conference room at 10:00 a.m. –

Monday, January 24, 2022

Monday, March 21, 2022