

Governance Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 12, 2023 @ 10:30am
714 F St. Eureka, CA 95501

Our Mission is to Provide Students with Personalized Learning to Support Parental Choice in Education

Governance Council Members Present: Matt Wilton, Geri Emberson, David Turner, Sarah Weltsch

Governance Council Members Absent: none

Certificated Staff Present: Nichole Dollarhide, Shana Langer, Stefani Gambrel, Jen Burtram

Director Present: Tim Warner

Classified Staff/ Guests:

Meeting Called to Order @10:33am

Review Agenda – No additions or revisions

Public Comment/Correspondence/Communication – N/A

CONSENT ITEMS

A motion was made to approve the November 2023 Minutes. M/S, Emberson/Turner, motion carried.

A motion was made to approve the October 2023 Warrant Reports. M/S, Weltsch/Emberson, motion carried.

REPORTS

Student Council: The survey results are in and a mascot has been selected! We are officially The Alder Grove Sasquatches! See's candy sales made \$115. A bake sale is planned for the craft party on the 21st. They are doing a coat drive to benefit Betty Chin and are planning a talent show for February.

Enrollment Report: There are 449 enrolled students now.

Leadership Team Report: The leadership team is still working diligently on a revision of the mission statement. The LCAP meeting focused on the goal concerning more parent involvement with parent workshops being the focus.

Director of Secondary Programs Report: Jen reported that we now have dashboard base numbers for College and Career Readiness. For the 2020-2-21 school year the figure was 21%, it is now 52%. A College and Career website will be available soon. The FAFSA will open up on December 31st and Jen is working on scholarship applications and cash for college workshops. She is also working with the City of Eureka on developing a new community service club to be involved in local projects.

Director of Operations Principal Report: Stefani reported that the office was closed in the afternoon during Thanksgiving break to focus on completing tasks and projects, and the same will be happening during President's week. Staff are working to promote positive behaviors on campus to address challenging student behaviors. They are also working to address the rise in mental health issues in the last month. NWEA MAP will take place in January/February and the CAASP is in April. Conquer the CAASP test-prep will be available to students.

Director of Special Services Report: There has been a huge spike in mental health needs and Nichole, Crystal, and Monica are working to provide more support. Steve is increasing his services.

Superintendent's Report: Tim is working on getting the building weatherized and upgrading the heat (Garage and Technology Specialist space upstairs). He's working on a video survey for student's school satisfaction. Tim asked for a raise. He is working on applying for a grant with Bareilles. There is a new school wide messaging system with Catapult CONNECT. There is a new superintendent for Eureka City Schools.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

The meeting stipend has been \$50 per meeting since 2006. This amount is being recalculated and will be an action item on the January 2024 Agenda.

ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made to approve the First Interim Budget. M/S, Emberson/turner, 4/0, motion carried.

A motion was made to approve of stipend payment to the school Director for Community School Work in 2022-2023 school year. M/S, turner / Weltsch, 4/0, motion carried.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Possible Approval of Increase in Stipend Amount for Governance Council Members

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LCAP Mid Year Report

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION PERSONAL (PURSUANT TO GOV CODE 54957)

- Director Evaluation
- Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release
- Public Employee Resignation
- Public Employee Appointment
- Grievances/Complaints Discussed
- Legal Action
- Student Discussion/Discipline

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION – N/A

ADJOURNMENT: 11:45AM

Approved: 4/0 Date: 1/16/24