

School Community Council

February 27, 2024

In Attendance: Vanessa Niederleig, Jordan Hanson, Ronna Hoffman, Brittany Greco, Shantel VanWagoner. Thyme Vea

Agenda:

Approval of January Meeting Minutes: Jordan Hansen, Ronna Hoffman, Brittany Greco, Shantel VanWagoner, Vanessa Niederleig

Fundraising: Ronna reviewed Fundraising policies.

Buddy Bench: Oakley Larsen's dad's boss may donate the cost for the buddy bench. Oaklie to present this to him. Jordan Education Foundation may also be a possibility.

Discussed challenges surrounding fundraising.

Math aides should be covered for this year and next.

Fundraising needs:

Technology:

- Chromebooks: have to be replaced every 5 years. Discussed reserving some of the technology budget annually to save up for future chromebook purchases.
- Teacher laptops
- Ipads
- Microphones

Fundraiser can't pay for people.

Mental Health:

• Student Wellness Room: Shantel VanWagoner runs the wellness room. Teachers are finding it beneficial for helping students who need a break or help with self-regulation. Students

generally get a 10 minute break to do a calming activity and work on self-regulation skills. Many students are now trying to self-regulate in the classroom and needing the wellness room less.

- Second Step Program taught in each grade and classroom to support SEL (Social Emotional Learning).
- Morning News for school wide mental health support.
- Student Council shares ideas on Wednesdays for SEL.
- Student behavior plans with social/emotional piece.
- School-wide coin jars to earn rewards and activities, such as the school carnival.
- Kindness Chain run by PTA
- Yellow/Teal Ribbon Week (Kindness and Mental Health Awareness) March 4-8: Shantel is in charge of this for PTA. Family First Pediatric Counseling providing assembly on this topic.
- Principal's 200 club.
- Caught Being Kind.

School AI:

- Oak Leaf uses School AI.
- Brittany Greco uses School AI to help grade essays, to write lesson plans, to make tasks for students. Another team member is using it for bellringer for Wit and Wisdom to ask questions in a different way. Used Sidekick for individualized math problems and guidance for each student. AI reads information to students so students who struggle with reading receive that support.
- Finding that students are more engaged.
- Allows teachers to see everything the students are doing and saying.
- 6th grade uses Spaces.
- Jordan brought up concern with students possibly hacking into programs to search for things outside of restrictions.
- Can teachers give access to School AI outside of school? Because the teachers can't monitor student use of AI in the home environment precautions would need to be taken prior to considering this option.
- There is a lot of support for teachers in learning how to use AI.

Motion to close meeting:

1st: Brittany Greco 2nd: Jordan Hanson

Next meeting scheduled for April 16th, 2024 at 6:00 PM