

West Nissouri P.S. School Advisory Council Minutes Monday February 8, 2021 6:30pm

Present: Darryl Mann, Tammy Adams, Tiffany Grubb, Carissa Kanters, Blair Masse, Kendra Bricker, Kendra Ferguson, Amanda, Borges, Jeannine Poulton, Andrew Poulton, Tara Santagapita, Lindsay Lake, Michelle Coghlin

Regrets: Alexis Juliao

Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting: First - Kendra Bricker, Second – Blair Masse, Carried

Approval of Agenda: First – Kendra Bricker, Second - Blair Masse, Carried

Parent feedback survey data – Survey ran Jan 19-Feb 5th, 49 responses (93 in 2018), Committee reviewed results.

- 59.2% agree or strongly agree that they are interested in becoming more engaged.
- 63.3% feel they have had sufficient opportunity to engage with WNPS
- Barriers to engagement – Busy Schedule, COVID Challenges, Unsure how they can help, Timing, Childminding or not felt welcome. The need for an interpreter and transportation was also noted.
- Topics of Interest for future events – Mental Health & Well-Being (63%), Cyber Safety (49%), Physical Activity & Healthy Eating (46%), Suicide Awareness & Prevention (42%), Supporting Families with remote learners (39%), Equity and Inclusion (37%).
- Disappointed in low response rate.
- Discussed offering an incentive to people who complete the survey.
- Facebook survey – post a few questions, once per week to get additional data
- Share a summary of results in the next school newsletter

16% response rate – as we have 310 families at WNPS.

Event Planning – sub-committee met to discuss ideas. Darryl to reach out to Dr. King directly as Jeannine has not received a reply. Committee will continue to plan one event for this school year focussed on mental health/suicide prevention/support through COVID. Looking for a committee member to take the lead on planning this years event. Target April/May timeframe.

Remote Learning is at capacity – no further offers from the school board to transition to/from online learning at this time.

Communication Tools – new weekly reminders to come out from the school, first one went out today. Positive responses to this format. Too many ways for people to check. School Messenger, Emails,

Meeting Date/Time - Committee likes the new date/time. Removes pressure to wrap up before H&S needs to start. Will continue with the second Monday of the month at 6:30pm.

Principals Report – was it done at H&S, should it be? Info shared with H&S was tailored to the H&S audience, information is posted on the school website. Consider only offering the principals report with SAC and encourage H&S members to join SAC meetings if they want to hear the full report.

Mr. Mann reviewed the following items:

- Return to In-Person Learning
- Revised Daily Screening Tool
- Safe Schools Update (SISP)
- Literacy Focus – School Literacy Team
- Kindergarten Registration – 34 new registrations, 43 gr 8’s leaving
- Term 1 Report Cards – sent home Friday
- World Read-Aloud Date at WNPS – last week Feb 3rd
- Secondary School Course and Pathway Selection
- Staffing update