

Washington Elementary Community Council Minutes 10/19/2016

In attendance: Kelly Mitchell, Carrie Neilson, Katie Cluff, Natasha Isom, Brandon Bulow, Pamela Stephenson

Not in Attendance: Brandon Bulow

7:35: "A Matter of Trust" Video was shown.

7:54: Mr. Mitchell informed the council that there would be training provided by the school district on the following Monday, October 24, 2016 at 8:30, at the district office.

7:55 Mr. Mitchell informed the council that they needed to elect a chair and a vice chair. Mr. Mitchell explained what the council decided to fund the previous year. The test scores were low in science, so the council decided to fund a science teacher.

7:58 Mr. Mitchell explained the process to select a chairperson and vice chairperson. He asked the council if they would like to nominate anyone to be chairperson. Carrie Neilson was nominated to be the chairperson by Katie Cluff. Pam Stephenson seconded the nomination. Natasha Isom nominated Brandon Bulow as Vice Chairperson. Katie Cluff seconded the nomination. Carrie Neilson texted Brandon and he said that he was happy to serve.

8:07 Mr. Mitchell told the committee that he needed their updated contact information. The members agreed that he had their current information.

8:08: Mr. Mitchell summarized the plan for the year and explained that the main focus is science and that we want the students to be excited about science and improve their test scores.

8:10: Carrie Neilson explained the Amendment B that would be voted on during the election and how it would affect the Trust lands funding. The wording would be changed to spend "earnings" instead of interest and dividends. Pam Stephenson said that her friend is the chair at another school and that they were encouraged to vote yes on the amendment so they could have more access to funding. Carrie looked at the website and explained that it would create more money and would be distributed to the schools. Natasha explained that the PTA supports the amendment because schools would receive almost twice the funding each year. The council discussed sending the information about the amendment out after the meeting Monday.

8:15: Mr. Mitchell addressed safety at the school. The administrative team met with Washington City Police and talked about safety at the school. In order to ensure the safety of students, safety drills are completed each month. A reunification drill will be completed on Wednesday, October 26th. A lockout drill will take place and then students will be reunified with their parents. Mr. Mitchell explained the reunification procedures.

8:21: Julie Smith shared the parent compact and parent involvement policy with the council. All council members present signed off on seeing and approving the forms.

8:23: The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, November 30th at 7:30.

8:24 The meeting was adjourned.