

MINUTES FROM COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Wednesday, October 1, 2014

7:00pm MCE Library

In Attendance:

Superintendent Scott Rogers, Principal Dave Whiting, Teacher-Members Tina Miles, Andrea Winn, and Anissa Bird, Parent-Members Jed Crowton, Trisha Makoni, Keri Anderton, Samantha Andrus-Henry, Melinda Birch, and Emily Maughan, other attendee Harmony Crowton.

Dr. Whiting called the meeting to order.

We made introductions all around the room, welcoming Superintendent Rogers and new council members. We had 3 open parent positions. 4 parents received a very similar amount of votes. Melinda proposed that we simply add all 4 parents, increasing the size of the council by one. Tina seconded the motion and voting was unanimous in the affirmative.

Dr. Whiting opened the floor for nominations for a new council chair and vice chair. Tina nominated Jed as chair. Andrea seconded and all voted in the affirmative. Jed nominated Tina as vice-chair. Melinda seconded and all voted in the affirmative.

The floor was given to Dr. Rogers. He talked to us about the following:

- District enrollment
- Dual Language Immersion program
- Master Facilities Plan
- District Boundary Committee
- Upcoming Bond
 - Will convert current MBA bonds to GO bonds
 - Simple conversion of high interest to low interest debt
 - Bond info is posted on the districts website. Please educate yourself and spread the word to friends and neighbors to do the same.
- School Board meetings are the 2nd Tuesday of each month. Scott Bryan is the board member for our area.

After finishing, Dr. Rogers was excused.

Dr. Whiting took the floor to present the MCE Master Plan. He started out showing a video about community councils: where the money comes from and how we are to use it. The video can be found at www.schoollandtrust.org/school-trust/program. **Please watch the video in its entirety and then email Dr. Whiting to let him know you have done so.** The overall message is that we are to spend this money wisely and keep the council functioning properly to protect the money. The community council is a “guiding” council. We are to use money for educational needs, using data to determine our school’s greatest academic need (usually in reading/math/writing). Our budget this year is \$31,000.00

Our past plans have funded: PLC time (“specials” aides to educate children while teachers meet together), RTI (re-teaching aides), and an AmeriCorps employee to head up our Read Today program.

Both Master Plan and 90-day Plan were handed out to each council member.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, November 12th at 6:30pm