

CUTTEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL AGENDA
March 15, 2022, 5:45 pm
Ridgewood Commons

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Present: Annette Sligh (Vice Chair presiding); Diana Baclagan; Karen Bazzano; Kaycee Cook; Nancy Corran; August Deshais; Katri Lemmon; Susie Smelser.

Absent: Sean Galt, Amber Syvertson

Guest: Becky Macquarrie

No public attendees

2.0 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER

Approved by unanimous consent.

3.0 CONSIDER APPROVAL OF JANUARY 18, 2022 MINUTES

Approved by unanimous consent.

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public in attendance.

Comment on non-agenda item by member, Diana:

How are the English Language Learner (ELL) benefits and resources publicized for the Cutten-Ridgewood community? Concern re families under-identifying for various reasons, including not being aware of the resources available, or not wanting to be identified.

August offered background: The C-R district has ELL funds to support those who register that English is not their student's original language. Qualifying students are assessed 2x/year by Ridgewood Librarian, Alissa Morey. Testing is ongoing until students can successfully exit. Depending on level of need, additional tutoring services are available for spoken and/or written skills. Rosetta Stone subscription is also possible.

Suggestion from Susie: Time to consider revamping registration forms, aligning questions with precisely information school needs. List resources available on form so that families know why any given question is asked.

Site Council might think of additional ways to get the word out.

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 District Report

- Successful Parent-Teacher Conference Week. First "normal" conference week of the 2021-2022. Offered Zoom and in-person. More attendance and more two-parent attendance.
- New Buddy Bench at Ridgewood, painted by Ms Chastain with TK student handprints!
- Enrollment still open for in-district students. Enrollment numbers largely on track with previous years. Three more kindergarteners and 1 TK in the last few days.

5.2 Science Fair Update

Time-line created for Cutten students to participate: Permission Form; Question and Methods; Meetings for help; and Submission. Over 100 permission slips. Submissions to be displayed and judged last week in April. Possibility of self-grading before judging. The Science Fair Team will provide students with a rubric. This enterprise serves in part as a litmus test for next year (or future years) for when we may join Humboldt COE Science Fair.

5.3 Traffic and Safety Update

- Potholes at Primrose filled/fixed 2 days ago! August Deshais emailed Bob Brunkle about 1.5 weeks ago. There is a link on Public Works to report unsafe holeage.
- Upon request, Highway Patrol officer occasionally comes by Ridgewood because cars were not stopping at stop sign during drop-off/pick-up.
- August requested Public Works for a devoted turning lane at Ridgewood. Not approved b/c too narrow and not enough students walk to school.

5.4 Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Mid-Year Update, *Superintendent and Cutten Principal, Becky MacQuarrie*

- The district has three years to implement plan. Time-frame underlined because of need to address learning loss.
- Different funds came our way, largely owing to COVID: Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds will (list not exhaustive)
 - add on to HVAC work
 - provide safe entry way to Cutten (established)
 - interventions to address learning loss and support teachers
 - provide online programs and distance learning options
 - support school psychologists at both campuses
 - social/emotional wellness programs
 - tech support (wifi connectivity)
 - after-school aide
 - intensive tutoring
- Two Main Goals of C-R LCAP:
 1. Achievement Levels/College-Career readiness
 2. Wellness

Actions to implement/continue these goals include (but are not limited to) the following:

- o C-R plan is to keep Student-Teacher ratio low for all grade levels (28-1 for 3rd+)
 - o Summer School offered
 - o Music Program (excellence of program noted)
 - o TIP
 - o SEL – Art/Theater programs
 - o Visual Arts - hired resident Artist, Haley, who visits all TK-6 classrooms
 - o Outdoor learning space
 - (Noted that canopies have worked very well. May not be permitted as permanent structures; but work continues to create/enhance ADA accessible outdoor learning space.)

6.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

- Site Council elections will occur before the end of the school year.
- Site Council training in mid-August.
- At next meeting: SC to offer feedback on LCAP for next meeting AND Review of district wellness policy.

Next Meeting - Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 5:45 pm

7.0 ADJOURNMENT at 6:34pm

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Corran, Secretary