



Meeting Minutes

Rosamond Elementary School Community Council

October 1, 2020 - DRAFT

Attendees

Members Present: Candie Checketts, Sue Redington, Eric Veenendaal, Justi Lundeberg, Glenda Butikofer, Andrea Leary, Heather Fisher, Kris Kimball, Becky McKenzie, Robyn Cash

Members Absent:

Guests: Linzie Middleton (PTA President) Tracy Miller (School Board Member)

Committee Business

1. Minutes from the May 2020 meeting were unanimously approved
2. Introductions: Sue Redington introduced returning council and welcomed new members
 - a. New teacher representative on the SCC: Glenda Butikofer (Art teacher and Instructional Coach at Rosamond) will replace Alison Vietti who has served on the SCC for many years.
 - b. New Assistant Principal at Rosamond: Beth Pollock will split her time between Rosamond and another school.
3. Elections: Council unanimously voted to re-elect the SCC leadership from last year:
 - a. Sue Redington (Chairperson)
 - b. Eric Veenendaal (Vice Chair)
 - c. Justi Lundeberg (Secretary)
4. Fundraiser Updates for the 2020-2021 School Year
 - a. The Roadrunner Rally will not be happening this Fall.
 - b. Instagram PTA Fundraiser over the summer:
 - i. How much money was raised? If they raised \$500 or more, it may mean the PTA cannot hold another fundraiser this year
 1. Linzie clarified the fundraiser was hosted on her personal Instagram page and not through the PTA, so they are still able to be in compliance with PTA regulations.
 - c. The PTA spent funds on Covid preventions but there is still money in the account that has carried over from last year (estimated at \$9,000). It may not be enough to hold the Carnival in the Spring but we're not sure that is even going to be a possibility because of Covid.
 - i. In an effort to involve virtual students learning at home, the PTA has been reaching out to them and has purchased Book Flix using Scholastic

Dollars. This is an online library of books that are available to both in-person and at-home students.

- d. The PTA is going to wait on the District's decision in November before making any plans to host an in-person fundraiser.
 - e. PTA membership is down a bit; from 102 memberships last year to 86 this year.
5. Covid-19 Discussion: Led by Candie Checketts
- a. Grateful for all the support from parents and teachers, Candie has been impressed by the positive attitudes of students and their willingness to adjust to new policies and rules of mask-wearing.
 - b. Color-coded lanyards have kept students/teachers organized
 - c. Seating charts in the lunch room and classrooms make it easier to social distance and help with contact tracing if there is exposure to Covid.
 - d. During the first few weeks of school, students were rotating in small groups through different activities at recess. After receiving feedback from parents, this has changed and students are now allowed to play as they want to during 15 minute recess blocks (organized by grade level). Positive feedback from the SCC was expressed.
 - e. Do we have enough masks at the school?
 - i. Rosamond does have some masks available to students who may need them. They also have disposable masks in the office.
 - ii. The District provides the schools with masks as well, so right now, there is no need for parents to donate more.
 - iii. Tracy Miller will check with other schools in the district to see if there is a need for more masks and if help is needed, she will let the SCC know.
 - f. As of now, the school has 21 people in quarantine because of exposure to Covid.
 - i. The District updates the dashboard with info given to them by school nurses
 - ii. Covid has affected attendance a bit but overall, Candie is happy with the relatively low number of cases and credits that to students and teachers being on board with wearing masks, janitorial staff going above and beyond to keep things clean and really limiting the number of people inside the school (other than students/teachers).
 - iii. There is a District shortage on substitutes but as a school, Rosamond has been able to lean on a very supportive community for extra help when they need it.
 - iv. When students are quarantined, teachers are usually giving out packets for students to work on at home. They are not immediately enrolled in virtual school. Candie says the teachers need more training on how to best use Canvas to help students during quarantine.
6. Halloween Plans: Feedback requested by Candie Checketts
- a. Teacher-directed class parties
 - i. Parents to support teachers with donations (games, prizes, treats, etc)
 - ii. Classes from the lower grades may need more help with class parties than the older grades. Teachers will decide what help is needed and let room parents/PTA know.
 - b. Costumes: Should they be allowed this year?
 - i. SCC voted "yes" on this.
 - ii. Candie suggested a few rules to kids wearing costumes at school:
 1. No masks or makeup that would interfere with regular face masks
 2. No changing into your costume or asking teachers to help
 3. No weapons

7. Flex Fridays: How is this working out?
 - a. Kris Kimball gave feedback:
 - i. Flex Fridays have been great for working with small groups of students
 - ii. Less time for planning because there are meetings/trainings and instruction of students
 - iii. The school is using a new Math program this year and with the addition of Flex Fridays, teachers are losing 1 whole day of instruction. This is a bit tricky.
 - b. Candie said they have been holding meetings/trainings on Fridays for teachers/staff but that this won't always be the case and teachers should have more time for planning on those days.
 - c. SCC members expressed positivity with the Flex Friday schedule saying it has been a great experience for their children to have small group instruction and one-on-one time with teachers.
 8. Looking ahead
 - a. SCC members should expect to receive an email from Candie and/or Sue to confirm membership and to those members who have completed their 2-year term, they will need to fill out an application and submit to Candie.
 - b. Meetings will be scheduled and announced by Sue and will be held via Zoom
 9. The council unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting.
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Next Meeting is TBD.