

Golden Fields Elementary

School Community Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

Location: Conference Room at Golden Fields

Meeting time: 4:00 – 5:00pm

Council Members in Attendance:

Nick Hansen, Ashley Pack, Holli Wilson, Chris Larsen, Sommer Young, Ann Lobos, Brooke Franks, Cristie Carter Bake, Daniel Carlson.

Meeting start time: 4:05 pm.

Agenda Items:

- 1. Update Bylaws.** Nick advised he was recently at a district meeting and they had shared some information regarding School Community Councils regarding the number of members, how elections are handled and some observations they had based on auditing councils throughout the state. They made some recommendations for councils to review and update bylaws to make sure they are current and in compliance with rules. Ashley made a motion to edit our current bylaws per suggestions shared regarding input from the state. Cristie seconded the motion. All were in favor. The group discussed current bylaws line by line and made some adjustments. State mandates that there must be 2 more parents on the council than there are school employees. Our current council make-up is in compliance with that rule, so no changes will need to be made this year. One other thing the state suggested was to make sure that members have staggered terms, to make sure the entire council doesn't leave at the same time and there are members that have served before with new members. This is an area where we are not abiding by this recommendation, as all our parent members were elected last year. Discussed terms and decided that we will have some members serve for 2 years, and others serve for 3. This will help with continuity. The document will be shared with the council so it can be reviewed and then will be voted upon during the next council meeting.
- 2. Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary Elections.** Nick advised us we need to decide on our roles within our council – Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary. Current members in these roles all comfortable maintaining their roles, no one else was interested in stepping into these positions. Cristie motioned to keep the same officers in their roles. Chris seconded the motion. All were in favor. Dan will remain the Chair, Ann will continue to serve as the Vice Chair and Holli will continue in the Secretary role.

- 3. Scheduling Future Meeting Dates.** Discussed upcoming meeting schedule. Last year's meetings were in October, December, February. This year, we will plan our meetings for November 8, January 10 and March 13. Meeting times will be 4-5 pm.

- 4. New Business.** Dan shared that some schools are not only limiting children's time in the cold temperatures, but also during times of excessive heat. Council members discussed several ideas regarding ways to provide additional shade for students during outdoor times. Some ideas were shades, trees, providing water. Discussed temperatures as well as air quality ratings that could potentially be incorporated into a recommendation for when students should stay indoors. This topic will be discussed further at the next meeting.

Meeting end time 5:15 pm. Cristie motioned to adjourn the meeting. Dan seconded the motion. All were in favor, meeting adjourned.