

Fillmore Middle School

Community Council – November 8, 2023

Attendees include:

Jeremy Teeples
Jody Lawhorn
Ian Adams
Kari Shields

Kathy Kesler
Autumn Barney
Isaac Wallin

Motion to begin meeting at 3:10 Jeremy Teeples.

Time was turned over to Mr. Wallin to go over his positive behavior plan that will be presented to the district and community.

- Peer Pressure
- Mental Health
- Substance Abuse
- Positive Relationships

Some of the programs and activities that will be implemented include:

- “Why try” program – teaches resilience, life skills - falls under positive relationships and peer pressure.
- Red Ribbon week – Substance abuse prevention – signed pledges, in class activities, hospital brought pig lungs designed to show the effects of smoking.
- Individual / group counseling – short term interventions. If long term is needed, they will be referred to a therapist.
- Group counseling with a therapist will be anxiety focused and target struggling students – falls under mental health and positive relationships.
- Bullying – see something, say something was presented at the beginning of the year. In class presentations include bullying prevention - (positive relationships) and suicide prevention (mental health.)
- Implementing restorative friend mediation (peer pressure, positive relationships.) Students will learn to “read the room.”
- “Find your natural high” focuses on substance abuse. Videos of substance abuse stories, educational videos.
- Implementing group specific struggles. Anger management, social skills, positive self-esteem.
- Would like to do another kindness campaign (similar to last year’s.)
- Safe UT app – has been implemented and is functioning as intended.
- Major clarity – helps kids prepare for future careers. Career week will be in March or April – its purpose is to help 8th graders look at future career options and learn budgeting / financing.
- “Pay it Forward” service project. Millard high school students have been painting rocks with inspirational quotes for middle school students and the middle school will do something for elementary school students.

Mr. Wallin turned the time back over to Mr. Teeples and there was a motion to accept the October meeting minutes by Jodi Lawhorn seconded by Kathy Kesler.

Trustland proposal from prior year was passed out and briefly gone over.

- We carried over approximately \$3500.00.
- We chose not to continue with the Lexia and Read 180 – they are expensive in proportion to other similar programs.
- Digital citizenship – commonsense.org – some curriculum has been purchased to help implement.
- Safety backpacks - added some first aid items – folder – completed a couple of drills – Practiced with radios to work out some of the bugs. Added gauze, larger pads, main bag for the office to grab and go.
- Over summer all faculty / staff members were certified in CPR. Completed the Stop the Bleed training.
- Classrooms have all been stocked with water, granola bars, fruit snacks, toilets, TP, tarps, feminine products, prepared for shelter-in-place.

We have applied for a safety grant – will be hearing back on that hopefully soon.

- Requested additional cameras.
- Additional sound systems
- Better cameras for the playground
- Signs indicating that the premises are under video surveillance.
- Single point entry – gates will be locked – front door is entry.
- Close off walkway out to trailer with a covered patio.

If you have any ideas or suggestions, please email them to Mr. Teeples before our next meeting.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 6, 2023, at 3:00 PM in the Media center. Motion to adjourn at 3:35 by Ian Adams – seconded by Karilyn Shields.