

## J. R. Smith Community Council Meeting

Thursday, November 10, 2022

In attendance: Ryan Brown, Kristi Davis, Erin Sabey, Shianne Whipple, Edwin Clements, Liz Heywood

### Agenda items:

1. Mr. Brown welcomed everyone.
2. We reviewed our minutes from May 2022.
  - a. Shianne asked how much we are short for getting a book for every student. Mr. Brown said about \$2,000. Shianne said that maybe the WPN could help with getting more money. Several people volunteered to only have one book in their household to help save money with the books.
  - b. Is there any questions? No. The notes were accepted.
3. Mr. Brown reviewed the rules of order for the community council.
4. We need to organize our council with chair and co-chair. In the absence of anyone declaring themselves a candidate, volunteers can be appointed.
  - a. Liz was the chair last year. She agrees to be the chair again this year.
  - b. Edwin will be co-chair this year.
5. Schedule future meetings:
  - a. March 28, 2023
6. Ryan went over the "Purpose of Community Councils" powerpoint.
  - a. See attached powerpoint. Notes can also be found on the school website.
7. Ryan went over ELA and Math EOY data by grade level. (see attached)
  - a. Grade level goals – no student who is proficient will go backward
  - b. Erin brought up the point of Covid and how that probably impacted scores.
  - c. Erin asked about how teachers are feeling with everything. Mr. Brown talked about ACES and the higher levels of stress. Kristi talked about helping students and teachers manage the stress, focusing on what we CAN do. Of course these factors are effecting test scores. Teachers do have a pretty good idea about which students are struggling mentally, socially, or emotionally...now it is just getting more resources to help. Teachers do progress monitoring and they know which students didn't test well because of anxiety, which students guessed on most of the questions, etc. The guiding coalition is currently looking at our school wide social and academic behaviors and moving forward with a systematic plan to teach and asses these behaviors on more of a school wide level.
8. Ryan talked about being a targeted assistance Title 1 school. We do want parents to come volunteer and see what is happening.
  - a. Erin asked about parent volunteers. Could teachers give more specific plans and details about volunteers and what is really needed? People might be more likely to volunteer if they know exactly what is needed.
9. To and from school safely
  - a. Erin brought up that parents are still parking on the right side of the parking lot where we put no parking signs. Also, some students are still walking across the street without a crosswalk. Officer Daniels takes a few kids across the street. Maybe he could walk them across the street before buses leave? Less kids will see it happening? Edwin says that there seems to be a lot more traffic this year than other years. We do have almost 700 students.
10. Meeting adjourned.