

**Green Valley Elementary School
School Site Council Meeting Minutes
March 29, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.
(Remote Conference)**

ATTENDANCE

Parents: Elizabeth Weiss, Sonya Jibodh, Jason Larson, Elizabeth Leftik
Teachers/Staff: Michelle Bering, Mariah Brown, Julie Ouye
Principal: Donna Grim
Also Present: Aliza Grosh (Learning Fund), Joanne Miloskeski (PTA), Brenda Dvorak (Library)
Absent: Debbie Bell-Tozzi, Adam Glimme

I. Welcome; Attendance; Approval of Minutes

- Meeting called to order at 3:33 pm.
- Motion to approve minutes from February 8, 2022 meeting. All in favor, none oppose, motion carries.

II. Principal / Teacher / Staff Updates

- School life seems almost back to normal. Masks are no longer mandated, it's wonderful to see the children's happy faces.
- Many activities and events are in full swing, including 5th Grade PBL Colonial Day. Other classrooms and parents were able to join and celebrate this event.
- GVTC was a huge hit. Many thanks to the talented teachers who wrote the script and organized this wonderful event.
- GV Auction on March 5 did very well raising funds.
- Teachers have been busy with common learning, assessments, parent-teacher conferences, testing preparation, and end-of-year planning.
- CAASPP testing is next month. As a result of the pandemic for the past two years, this will be the first time students in all three grade levels (i.e. 3rd, 4th and 5th grades) will take this test.
- Students with special needs, including IED and Section 504 students, will have the option to take the CAASPP testing in a different room to help create a more calm & quiet setting for these students to perform at their best.
- We will discuss results of teacher survey at the next meeting.

III. 2022-2023 Budget Update / Discussion

- Donna shared the budget for next year.
- Basic operating costs are covered.
- Instructional Assistants' budget of \$155K has been approved.
- Library budget is still not \$500 as in previous years but Donna was able to allocate \$200.
- \$3,150 allocated to Teachers' Supplies. The company that used to handle Save on Supplies is no longer in business. Julie Ouye has already purchased materials and said it costs approx. \$700/classroom. Plan is to observe other schools' experience with different companies providing school supplies and determine which has a positive outcome. In the interim, we will receive funds from SC, PTA, and LF to cover additional costs.
- TK and K still prefer to apply funds to Psycho Motors each week in lieu of music.

- New requests for the budget next year:
 - (i) Augmenting Makers Space to include a purposeful play space for TK and K;
 - (ii) Art Docent;
 - (iii) Marquee – not a recurring item but a one-time purchase that will cost approx. \$28K. Many support this item because it is a useful tool to reach out to the community, to foster positive messages and meaningful conversations, and to help celebrate our school and community. Examples include a word of the week, birthday and holiday greetings, and observe community and cultural events.
 - (iv) Science Materials – Donna will share a complete list of supplies, materials and ingredients from Mrs. Hexemer which are necessary for science projects, experiments, and engineering.
- These items are all tentative and open to discussion at the next meeting before finalizing the budget.
- The total budget is approx. \$210,500 + \$28K for the marquee.

IV. Site Council Election Planning / Subcommittee Formation

- Four of five positions are open for next year.
- Election Subcommittee shall consist of Elizabeth Weiss and Donna.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. The next meeting will be on Tuesday April 19, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.