



Governing Council

8 MAY 2019

Location: CKCS LMS

Approved unanimously 6/5/19

7 Norms of Collaborative Work:

- Pause
- Paraphrase
- Pose questions
- Put ideas on the table
- Provide data
- Pay attention to self and others
- Presume positive intentions

Discuss: Council discussion & vote

Dialogue: Council discussion, gathering of ideas, exploration

AGENDA

I. Reading of the CKCS Mission Statement

- A. CKCS is a public school option for parents, students and teachers in the Verona Area School District where students develop strong learning skills and a broad base of knowledge through the use of proven educational materials and programs in a safe and structured environment.

Read by Rick Kisting

II. Audience recognition & rules of participation

Joleen Rau, Rick Kisting, Nicole Boedeker, Erin Marriott, Shunta Lewis, Marcia Tennyson, Abbey Weiss, Tamara Gunwall

Audience: Melissa Moser, Jen Ridday

- A. Jen Ridday – iPad use

Jen expressed concerns about having no policy/expectations for screen time at school, she has kids in several different grades and has seen that there are differing practices in different classes. She also has concerns about the quality and safety of student's access, also if parents could have the option to not have students bring their iPads home. She suggested having someone evaluate how screens are used in the classroom.

Rick mentioned that there are some things in place that we already do but aren't perhaps communicated well to parents.

Joleen suggested having the district technology staff present at our meeting to give us more information. Governing Council will come up with questions that we would like addressed, we will have more discussion about this at our June meeting.

The district has a technology policy with usage policies, these are fairly broad. Rick feels that we likely use less screen time than many other schools. The teachers haven't been pushed to use technology. Rick feels that teachers have frustrations about technology use but feel that it's useful overall. Personal phone use of students at school has been more of an issue, although has improved greatly this year.

GC Assignment: Please come to our June meeting with specific questions that you have about technology use.

III. Dates, announcements and brief agenda items

- A. Next GC meeting – June 5
- B. Parking lot items
- C. Approve previous minutes - April

The minutes were approved unanimously.

- D. PRT update (Chris)

none

- E. PASS update (Linda)

none

IV. Board topics

- A. Discuss 2019-2020 school year start (Rick)

In the past we have had a one hour orientation in the classroom. The rest of the district have kindergarten families come in for one hour, the rest of the grades have a full day the first day of school. We aren't able to count that first day of school as instructional hours, with snow.

Rick is proposing having kindergarteners come for one hour, the rest of the grades have a full day that first day of school, similar to other schools in the district. A Back To School Night would then be prior to school starting. 6th graders would come in and have a full day without 7th and 8th graders present. This would help to clear up some issues when the district is communicating the first day of school. The middle school Back To School Night this year was held prior to school starting, which worked well. If this change is approved, the elementary school night would be Tues., Aug. 20th.

Vote passed unanimously

B. Dialogue GC meeting time change (S)hunta

We discussed possibly changing the meeting time, we will start meeting at 6 pm next month.

C. Dialogue Budget Committee Update (Rick, Marcia)

The budget committee met, there's no change in our FTE for next year. The recommendation from the budget committee is to maintain the FTE we had this past year. There is a shared PBIS position with Badger Ridge. Badger Ridge is using their 0.5 FTE and combining this with a different position, so we now have 0.5 FTE open for our PBIS position. Our goal would be to increase this to closer to full-time in the future but we don't have FTE at this time to increase this. The budget committee makes a recommendation to maintain the FTE budget for the next school year.

D. Dialogue GC Bylaws (Joleen)

Joleen reviewed and revised the Bylaws. There weren't significant changes to the content. Linda, Charles and Rick also reviewed and suggested revisions. Joleen will now email this to the board to review prior to the June meeting.

E. Dialogue elections

Abbey Weiss is going to be on the ballot for the Treasurer position. There are two community representative positions open, these are voted on by the board.

**F. Dialogue parent leadership groups' potluck:
Appetizers & Desserts, June 5th (Joleen)**

Abbey suggested doing a sign up genius to sign up for what they're bringing for the potluck.

- Time

We will be meeting at 6 pm.

- GC Meeting follows

V. Director's Report (Rick)

Enrollment - All 425 places for the K-8 2019-2020 school year have been filled.

Hiring - Brenda Schiessl (Middle School Special Education Teacher) has taken a job at a different school district, this is a district funded position.

Heidi Mondlock , 8th grade language arts and social studies teacher, and Ashley Tarkenton the resource and math teacher would like to switch positions, this was approved by Rick.

Referendum - there's a meeting on Monday to discuss if the current plans fall within the allocated budget, Rick will share this information at our next meeting.

VI. Future agenda and/or parking lot items

- A. iPad use
- B. GC Bylaws review
- C. Social Studies curriculum review

VII. Adjourn