

Peruvian Park Elementary
School Community Council

Meeting Minutes for October 9, 2019

In attendance: Melinda Bezdjian, Karina Park, Tami Yamane, Heather Watson, Heather McEntire, Alicia Woodward, Leslie Jewkes, Annette Marchant

1. Review of Minutes
 - a. September meeting minutes will be reviewed at the November meeting.
2. Review last year's LAND trust/TSSA Plan
 - a. Changes and updates
 - i. Revisions proposed by SCC were approved.
 - ii. The final dollar amounts were very close to what SCC approved- Ms. Jewkes had to make a few small changes to the equipment category to allow for exact costs.
 - iii. SCC ended up having about \$1,400 less than previously anticipated.
 - iv. Current budget- some money has been spent on assistants/technology.
 - v. In depth update will be given at the next meeting.
 - b. All staff positions that were open are now filled.
 - i. 5th grade SALTA assistant is being filled by a current front office and a lunchroom employee.
 - ii. Two 3rd grade classroom assistants have been hired.
 - iii. SALTA assistant hired and has been working since the beginning of the year.
 - iv. Additional reading resources requested by teachers have been ordered.
3. Safety Plan/Bus Safety
 - a. Safety plan- goes to risk management at the district.
 - i. Shows line up and walking route in case of emergency.
 - ii. SCC members are to help with crowd control in an emergency situation-
 1. check in/check out system
 2. runners inside building will retrieve kids.
 3. Parents wait at one door/ kids exit another.
 4. PTA has all emergency snacks ready.
 - iii. Evacuate to church across 8600 S.
 - b. Bus safety
 - i. Many parent calls regarding bus safety.
 - ii. Peruvian Park has requested video 6 times from a single bus.
 - iii. Children observed not following safety guidelines.
 - iv. Current procedure is that discipline is handled at the school.
 1. Seating arrangement made for repeat offenders.
 2. Some kids are on warning right now.
 3. Request made to district for support with disciplining children not following rules.

- a. At what point does the transportation district suspend a child from using the bus?
 - i. Discipline coming from Peruvian Park may potentially harm the school relationship with families facing other challenges at school.
- b. Parent point of view- feedback requested. What would be the expectation/suggestion to take to the district?
 - i. Buses are not over filled.
 - ii. Bus driver should have authority to discipline kids.
 - iii. Riding the bus is a privilege not a right- expectations must be followed in order to ride the bus.
 - iv. Crossing guard instead of bussing that area of kids to school?
 - v. If student or students are not allowed to ride the bus would that cause an issue with attendance?
 - vi. Parents and schools need clear guidelines for suspending bus privileges.
 - vii. Additional personnel on problem buses.
 - viii. Who has responsibility/ liability?
 - ix. Current policy and procedures do not allow for logical consequences.
 - x. If members come up with ideas or suggestions SCC can revisit this issue at the next meeting. SCC intends to draft a letter of concerns and suggestions to submit to the district. Letter will also request a response from director of transportation at CSD.
 - 1. email Ms. Watson ideas and she will compile them for the letter.
- c. Parent has made a request for SCC to look at safety issues around Madrid way after school.
- d. Madrid is accessed behind the playground, through the catwalk.
- e. Ask PTA for volunteers who live in the area who might be willing to observe-
 - i. Number of cars
 - ii. Number of kids who cross
 - iii. To be observed between 2:55PM-3:15PM.
 - iv. Take notes/ count number of children crossing the road in that spot.
 - v. Can possibly add it to SCC safety plan for next year.
- 4. October Safety Drill-lockdown completed
 - a. Went well- found a couple of things to fix that were reviewed with classrooms.
 - b. Make sure all booster teachers have updated clip boards.
 - c. Make sure computer lab has updates class lists.
 - d. Cafeteria participated in practicing locking doors- plan is to channel kids back to cooking area.
- 5. Attendance Update from CSD

- a. New form letter from district
 - i. Peruvian Park plans to use own letter.
 - ii. Cannot put any reference to compulsory education.
- b. Family event policy changes suggested by the SCC will not be supported by the district.
- c. Current attendance system
 - i. After five parent excused absences, the system will automatically change the absences to unexcused.
- d. SCC will leave the current attendance policy as is.
- 6. Yearly SCC Training Schedule
 - a. Dates and times given on Agenda
- 7. SCC digital Citizenship Requirement
 - a. Our school representative for this year is Amanda Diaz.
 - b. CSD is in the process of updating security filters.
 - c. PTA has fulfilled their responsibility for this already.
- 8. Next meeting is Nov. 13, 2019.
- 9. Motion to adjourn meeting- Heather Watson.