

Panguitch Elementary Community Council
February 21, 2018

Present: Principal Nick Reynolds, Jacie Torgersen, Angie Bailey, Clint Albrecht, Kolbi Frandsen & Amy Dodds.

The meeting began at 10am with Clint Albrecht welcoming everyone to the meeting. The council reviewed the minutes from the last meeting and Angie Bailey had a question regarding the minutes.

She asked about the possibility of a music program in the elementary school. Mr. Reynolds said if you surveyed the parents 99% of them would want to have music in the school but they have not had a good experience in the past. They have had violin, choir and orchestra in the elementary school. Students and parents start off really excited about it but then a few weeks in to it more than half of the students drop out. This creates a problem if it is a class in school and then the school has to find another class for them to attend. There have been problems with logistics and making it cost effective in the past. Kolbi Frandsen suggested having a volunteer come in and do music, maybe even an early morning choir? Holly Henrie, who is the wife of Mark Henrie has expressed an interest in doing so. Mr. Reynolds said to have her come in and talk to him. The school is not against having a music program they would just need to find the right person who could get one going.

Angie Bailey motioned to accept the minutes from the last meeting and Kolbi Frandsen 2nd the motion, the vote was unanimous.

Mr. Reynolds presented the school plan for the 2018-2019 school year. The plan focuses on 3 items:

1. Reading Aides (\$49,000)
2. Professional Development for Teachers (\$6,000)
3. Technology in Classrooms (\$4,000)

Jacie Torgersen asked about the carry over amount that was listed on the plan. The money for this year's budget has not come out of the plan yet so that it why a carry-over is listed. It should come out in the next month or so and then there shouldn't be much of a carry over. The council can carry over up to 10% so we should be fine. There should be enough money in there to buy the ipad's that the council talked about last month.

Mr. Reynolds will make the teachers aware that there is money available for them to attend trainings this summer. Kolbi Frandsen feels that it is very beneficial for the teachers to go and get specific training on their subject to help them specialize and become more proficient in their skills. This helps them to gain more knowledge and bring back more to their classroom to

teach. Clint Albrecht would like to see the council spend more money on trainings that are for everyone such as using technology in the classroom, discipline etc. He feels that this is more cost effective. Kolbi Frandsen said that there are a lot of training opportunities at SUU that the teachers could attend that would not cost as much because there would not be the cost of a motel. The council has \$6,000 set aside for professional development that can be used either way. If there is some money left from the aides at the end of the year we can also transfer that money in to professional development for the teachers also.

We need to have a school board member present to approve the plan. We will have it on the agenda to officially approve it next month, if there are any changes we can make them before then. Each of the council members should be getting an email to confirm their participation in creating the school plan. Each member needs to respond to this email. All those present also signed a form stating their participation in the school plan. If you misplace the paper plan, the plan can also be viewed online.

Clint Albrecht suggested maybe having parents or grandparents come in to volunteer in the classroom as reading aides to save some of the cost that the Trust Lands funds are paying out on aides. Carol Orton and Amy Marshall are highly trained in the programs that they run in the reading lab, but Mr. Reynolds said that may be a possibility with Annie Eldredge's position. She goes around and helps during reading in different classrooms that need it.

Kolbi Frandsen asked if the 5th & 6th graders are going skiing. Mr. Reynolds is going to check over the papers that were sent in to the school to see if everyone wanted to do that. Jacie Torgersen and Angie Bailey said that the PTO could help pay for some of the students to go skiing if they do not have the money to do so. Brianhead will also scholarship 5 kids to go. Kolbi Frandsen and Angie Bailey will go and help with the kids if the school goes on the field trip.

Angie Bailey also asked if there were any supplies or equipment that the school needed. The PTO has around \$3,000 in their account and can help the school out where it is needed.

The kindergarten is going well with Laura Cox filling in as their teacher. Mr. Reynolds was in there this morning and they have adjusted well to having a new teacher. Hilary Bonner is back at home but they are not sure if she will be able to return to school this year or not.

The next meeting will be on March 21st.

Angie Bailey motioned to adjourn the meeting and Kolbi Frandsen seconded the motion, the vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.