

Sabillasville Environmental School

Board of Directors Meeting

October 9, 6:02 PM

Members in attendance; Denny Willard, Shelby Green, Robert Black, Gary Cox, Ashley Barber, Dawn Getzendanner, Kara Wolf, Sadie Wiles, Barbara Doney

Remote; Jeff Finch, Robert Koontz

- I. Alisha called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM. There was no public comment.
- II. R. Koontz moved to approve the amended agenda for the Oct. 9th meeting, A. Barber seconded.
- III. G. Cox Moved to approve the Secretary minutes. Seconded by D. Willard.
- IV. Financials (J. Finch)
 - A. Auditors moved the portables to a fixed asset. With the conclusion of the audit, we sent an invoice for the remainder of the per pupil allocation from the 2022-2023 year.
- V. Principal Interviews/Timeline (A. Yocum)
 - A. In the first round of interviews Nov 1st 8:30-10:30 in person at the central office. The second round will take place Nov 6th 8:30-10:30.
- VI. Principals Report (D. Getzendanner)
 - A. September Events: The great Frederick fair was a great success with all students making entries and attending the field trip to the fair. Pollinator day was also a huge hit with kiddos and volunteers.
 - B. School Improvement Plans: Leadership is finalizing the plan and has adjusted goals based on MCAP scores.
 - C. MCAP: Students scores are comparable to community proficiency scores.
 - D. Career Coach: Our career coach will start Oct 13th and work every Friday at no cost to SES. He will be assisting the middle schoolers in setting up events and career studies during the theme days.
 - E. Enrollment: Filled grade 5 spots in time for sept 30th count day. One student has since transferred back due to transportation issues. One 7th grade seat is open. For count day we were only short one student from capacity.
 - F. Current Demographics: still creating a diverse student population and creating diversity. We do have a higher special education population than the county average.
 - G. Psychologist update: Amount billed to SES has been reconfigured to be closer to actual time spent at SES. We are looking at closer to \$20,000 compared to \$40,000 as previously estimated.
 - H. Special Education Update: Meeting with teacher specialists on Oct 13th to discuss staffing needs. If nothing comes from this meeting the board will need to push back against FCPS and demand more staffing to ensure students are getting the education they are entitled to.
 - I. Club Information: Chorus and Archery have stated, Japanese Club starts Oct. 19th. Art club starts in Jan. Looking to do a Chorus program this winter.

- J. Middle school student leadership: Middleschoolers have taken on leadership roles and are assisting with various duties including chicken upkeep, and buddy reading programs.
 - K. Composting Initiative: Bar T has secured a 10,000 grant to cover the cost of the composting program.
 - L. Green School: submitted application to be a green school and are working on documentation.
- VII. Facilities Updates (A.Yocum)
- A. Discussion was made about the Morgan Keller Facilities reports. Alisha will be having Morgan Keller provide an estimate for a maintenance program as well as the cost for bidding out the larger projects. Ashley will be finding an outside company to provide a complete and certified ADA inspection.PJ roofing has agreed to address the immediate roof concerns.
- VIII. Fundraising (A. Yocum)
- A. The Great Outdoor Bingo is March 3rd. Looking to get a planning meeting in the books.
- IX. PTO Update (K. Wolf):
- A. Mountain Fest October 14&15th
 - B. Parent Teacher Conferences are this week. PTO will provide dinner on the 11th for teachers.
 - C. Fall Family Fun Night Oct 28th at 4pm.
 - D. Book Fair going on and will be open during mountain fest.
 - E. Roller Skating Jan 28th 5-730pm. Skateland in Hagerstown.
 - F. Discussed doing a wreath fall fundraiser again.
- X. G. Cox moved to adjourn into closed session and A. Barber seconded at 7:01PM.
- XI. A. Barber moved to adjourn the closed session. R. Black seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:18PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Shelby Green