

Ridgecrest Elementary School Community Council
Monthly Meeting Agenda
Thursday, October 8, 2020, 4:00pm- Antzak Pavilion

Call to Order by- Marci Cardon 2nd- Julie Winfree Time- 4:05pm

Attending- Marci Cardon, Julie Winfree, Carrie Christensen, Annette Hubley, DarylAnn Ashby, Allison Farnsworth, Julia Jensen, Debbie Durtschi, Phoenix Gatrell, Natalee Thomas

Via Google Meet- Mallory Herrscher, Chi Fame Kao

Absent- Courtney Terry

Will likely be moving to virtual meetings, at district request.

1. Parking lot sign updates- signs have been ordered and will likely be in by November
2. Cell Tower Funds Information- We receive funds from the District Cell Tower fund, that is divided by all schools without a tower. About \$2,200 a year- the water cooler costs will be covered for the year, use funds for this every year. Additional funds not spent on water cooler will be moved to principal's discretionary fund. Annette Hubley motioned to approve this spending, Allison Farnsworth 2nd motion. Unanimous vote to approve.
3. District SCC Trainings- online or in person training to be completed by 10/15 and email Marci when finished
4. School COVID updates-
No positive cases to date. A few students quarantined because of a family exposure outside of school, none are school or health department ordered. Students are staying home if they aren't feeling well. Small masks have been donated for younger ages to help them keep the masks on throughout the day. Younger grades have had issues with masks not fitting well.
5. Discuss School Digital Citizenship plan- Trying to devise a plan for information to be sent to parents- Ashley MacArthur is the school representative. Will send a flyer home and it can be shared electronically by teachers and on social media. Possible Instagram/Facebook Story by Ashley with a tip or two.
-discussed concerns about the impact of virtual learning on students when screen time research indicates that all screens can have an adverse effect on children's overall health and well being.
6. Discuss School Safety plan for the year and adjustments made-
 - a. Monthly school drills have changed because of Covid restrictions. Instead of an all school fire drill in the first month, classes went out individually to be taught by teachers what to do. The next few indoor and in classroom drills will happen as previously done because classes can stay separate.
 - b. Parking lot safety concerns- bus kids will always be called down when their bus arrives- helps with the outdoor areas to stay in control. Other issues seem to have been addressed partly because of the smaller numbers in school.
 - c. Mental Health concerns for students and parents as winter approaches. Stress of changing situations and missing friends as separation continues. Calming toys and sensory items available in the classroom and then set aside for sanitizing. Counselor and Social worker going into each classroom monthly to present on various topics to help kids cope and assess needs.
7. Living Leader role within the school- Steph Campo is the living leader. Each month she does a talking point with a prize or motivation to help with overall health.
8. Other topics- Social Justice materials are being added to classrooms and into teacher discussions.

Meeting adjourned at 4:55pm