

AGENDA

SYRACUSE ELEMENTARY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

4:30 PM SYRACUSE MEDIA CENTER

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE:

Jordan Savage, Carl Hellewell (Chair), Jenny Schow, Jamie Moon, Ann Kutterer (Co-Chair), Angelena Kolmel, Laura Pforts, Stacey Osborne, Gretchen Ivy Ruelan, Marilyn Merkley

WELCOME/CONDUCTING

MARILYN MERKLEY

PAST MEMBERS- CHAIR AND CO-CHAIR

Introductions were made by all committee members.

REVIEW OF PAST MINUTES

Approved by digital consent and posted online.

Motion by Stacy Osborne and seconded by Ivy Ruelan.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

Elections for new members

Two people filled out candidate forms and Mrs. Merkley will open up nominations until September 21st. Voting will occur at the next Community Council meeting.

School LAND Trust mini-training (7 minutes) video

A Power- Point was presented to the committee on our duties and responsibilities.

CALENDAR ITEMS

- Reviewed by the Committee

September 10 RI Testing this week
Survival Skills Class 6:00-8:00 PM

September 11 **Community Council – 4:30** (Everyone invited)
Remember 911!

September 13 4th Grade DLI Professional Development (only Chinese Teachers)
Boosterthon Fun Run – Thanks Charlie and Kam!

9:00-10:00 (AM K, 1st, 5th)

11:00-12:00 (2nd and 6th)

1:00- 2:00 (PM K, 3rd and 4th)



Location – behind the portables
Dibels finishes today!
BOO to the FLU 4:00-7:00 PM here at Syracuse!

On September 13th we will be having our Fun Run Fundraiser here at the school during school hours. We will have different groups run at 3 different times. We are planning on using the money to support teachers with field trips and more instructional supplies. **We are only having two fundraisers this year, this one, and one in the spring.** We want to thank our PTA for sponsoring the Fun Run!

There was discussion on whether this is a good alternative to the carnival and the pros and cons were discussed. We will re-evaluate after it is over and discuss it at the next meeting.

September 14th All payments for Before & After School Programs are due today!

PTA MINUTE

President – Wendy Holt
Fun Run
PTA Membership

PARENT ISSUES/CONCERNS

Parking Lot – Discussion about putting a permanent blockade in the east of the parking lot occurred. Most parents are supportive of the change in the parking lot for safety reasons.

Dress Code- The dress code was discussed in detail and Mrs. Merkley will review the code she proposed. It will be reviewed next meeting.

i-Ready Math and Reading Program – online interactive, adaptive program

Mandarin Matrix- Chinese Immersion

The committee was made aware of these programs being utilized in the school.

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Marilyn Merkley – Principal briefly mentioned these items

New Teachers and Staff;

Principal, 3 TA's in FS, 1 TA in LC, 2 Chinese Interns, 1 Chinese Teacher, 1 new 3rd Grade Teacher

Before and After School Programs/STEM Programs

Coding Class (Mondays at 3:30 PM- grades 2-5)

Chess Club (Mondays 8:00 AM- grades K-6)
VEX IQ Robotics (Thursdays 3:30 PMo
Dash & Dot Robotics
 Grades 3 & 4 – Tuesdays 3:30
 Grades 2 & later 1 – Wednesdays 8:00
I-Ready Program and Edutype (every morning 8:15-8:45)
Choir- Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:00 AM
Orchestra (Only 6th grade)- Mondays and Wednesdays AM
Ballroom Dance (Only 6th grade – some 5th boys) – Fridays 8:00 AM
Race Cats – Running Club – Mondays & Wednesdays 3:30 PM

Academics – Where is our focus academically this year? **Math is the focus!**

Scout projects available

Adjourned by a motion from Stacey and seconded by Carl.

Meeting was 65 minutes in length.

NEXT MEETING

October 9, 2018