

Dixie Sun Community Council

Meeting Minutes

February 21, 2019

In Attendance:	Beckie Basso, Jillian Udy, Kim Heki, Jaime Farnsworth, Brooke Neumann, Anna Mae Jorgensen, MarChe Hines, Jill Hunt, Anjanelle Kendrick, Irene Bernal, Elena Briz, Susan Harrah, Lesa Dewey, Mrs. Cruz, Josiah, Christina.
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I. Welcomed Mrs. Harrah and Dewey, Thanks to Mrs. Heki and Mr. Andersen

II. Reviewed last years plan

**III. Data review:** Science scores remain low, the greatest academic need remains improving literacy including comprehension and phonics.

**IV. Trust Lands Ideas for 2019/2020**

A. Tier 1 Academic Success: Dixie Sun will focus on strengthening Tier 1 Curriculum, which includes PE, Music, Library, and Computers while Science and Character Education will no longer be separate classes.

B. Money may be distributed as follows:

- a. Music-\$10,000
- b. Professional Development-\$7,000
- c. Para's-\$20,000
- d. Technology-\$10,000 or as much as can be allocated
- e. Performing Arts Program-\$3,000
- f. Updating Instruments-\$1,000

C. Found out that the school already has several instruments in good shape to be utilized, including guitars, ukuleles, and orff instruments in addition to our violins which will need bow their bows re-haired and new strings in the near future.

**V. Open House:** Event this evening February 21st scheduled which includes Panda Express and opportunity to meet new administrators. Open house tentatively planned for May

## **VI. School Safety and Renovations**

Bond \$ to be spent on renovations and added safety measures. Meeting will be held on March 4th to make plans.

A. Fence: Proposed that the fence will include the playground and portables. The fence will be locked up during the day and then opened in the evenings.

B. Front Office: To be redone with extra safety measures

C. Halls: Will be carpeted and painted

## **VII. Other Questions**

A. Start/End Time for School Day

Will remain the same. 8am start time and 2:15pm release time Monday through Friday

B. Uniforms

Uniform policy is still under consideration. A poll is in process, and the current vote is 113 to 76 in favor of keeping uniforms.

C. Spanish in Kindergarten

Spanish in kindergarten is not currently planned to continue. District instruction is that we adhere strictly to the "state model" becoming a strand program with the Spanish immersion program in beginning in 1st grade. Funding and lack of evidence of an academic advantage when the language is provided in Kindergarten were provided as reasons for the district's decision. Current projected Kinder enrollment is 90 students. An ALP after-school Spanish program was discussed. It was recommended that Community Council members may contact Ofelia Wade and Karl Bowman from the state for further discussion.

D. After school program by St. George City at Coral Cliffs may be able to come to Dixie Sun. Further information needed.

## **IX. Rebranding Ideas for the School**

A. STEAM/Technology Focus

B. Music Focus: Discussed adding Conga Town, and possibly instruction in guitar or ukulele

C. PBIS: Discussed how school is already utilizing Positive Behavioral Interventions and Support

D. Leader in Me:

a. The possibility of transferring the program from Coral Cliffs was discussed. May be a lower cost if the program can be moved from Coral Cliffs to Dixie Sun, rather than

starting over sometime in the future.  
b. Need to follow up with Coral Cliffs

#### X. Upcoming Meetings

March 27, 2019 at 2:30