Tonaquint Intermediate School

School Land Trust Community Council

Minutes

September 11, 2015

Committee members were welcomed at 11:48 a.m.

The following were in attendance: Barbara Garrett, Mindi Barker, Brandan Morgan, Caryn Magnesen, Marc Stallings, and Kesha Schultz. Mitch Six was excused, and Brian Armstrong attended in his place.

<u>Notification of the Meeting</u>: Notice was posted on the school website and at the school; and an e-mail and telephone message was sent to the parents.

Elections:

On August 17, 2015 an e-mail and telephone message was sent to all parents inviting them to place their names on the ballot for the Community Council. Two parents, Brandan Morgan and Marc Stallings, expressed an interest. Due to the lack of additional names, an election wasn't necessary. They will join Mindi Barker and Kesha Schultz who will continue their third term, and Caryn Magnesen who will continue her second term on the Community Council.

<u>Chair</u>: Mindi Barker nominated <u>Kesha Schultz</u> as Chair, seconded by Caryn Magnesen. There were no other nominations and her appointment was unanimously approved.

<u>Vice Chair</u>: Mindi Barker nominated <u>Marc Stallings</u> as Vice Chair, seconded by Kesha Schultz. There were no other nominations and his appointment was unanimously approved.

Items of Business:

- a) A notebook containing the following handouts were given and discussed:
 - *School Community Council Duties and Responsibilities
 - *Checklist for Parent Members, Community Council Chairs and Co-Chairs
 - *Rules of Order and Procedure
 - *Timeline for the program
 - *Appropriate expenditures
 - *2014-2015 Progress Report and 2015-2016 School Plan
- b) Brian Armstrong, School Counselor, explained in detail the new 2015 Safe Technology/Digital Citizenship Legislation. Documents pertaining to this were also provided in the notebooks. Mr. Armstrong explained how internet safety is accomplished with filters provided at the District Level.

Teachers and students may have access on the safe washk12 account. Devices utilizing the safe site have an insignia displayed thereby reassuring the teachers that the students are on the protected site. Teaching responsible digital citizenship allows students to maximize the benefits from technology without experiencing negative consequences from unfiltered sites. Principal Garrett explained that the October 29th Cyber Bullying Assembly will further arm students with knowledge related to digital citizenship. Parents will be notified in advance of the assembly so that they may take the opportunity to talk to their children about this subject or, if they wish, they may decline the opportunity for their child to attend the assembly.

c) "Earning for Education" and "Touch the Future" videos were played that explained what School Land Trust Funds were, the responsibilities of the Trust, how money was generated and how the revenue was directed to the school. It was clarified that the School Improvement Plan, which focuses on academics, provides direction to the Land Trust to further enhance students' performance. The videos also explained that the decision on how to measure elements of the School Improvement Plan must be approved by the school board, and the community informed.

Principal Garrett explained that last year's Plan is due on October 20, 2015. Last year's Plan focused on technology and portable labs that were purchased for use in the classrooms. In addition, a full-time Informational Technology employee was hired to set-up and maintain the systems. The new SAGE test is administered on-line so it is imperative that the students have exposure to modern technology. Also, last year's Plan provided a means for a SEE student hired from Dixie College. This SEE student works with a seasoned teacher serving as the learning coach. Employing this very qualified student teacher helps defer costs and provides employment opportunities should the need arise in the future.

<u>Meeting Adjourned:</u> Marc Stallings made a motion that the meeting be adjourned at 12:45 p.m., seconded by Brian Armstrong, until Friday, November 13, 2014 at 11:45 a.m.