

Tonaquint Intermediate School  
School Land Trust Community Council

Minutes

February 13, 2015

Committee members were welcomed at 11:50 a.m.

The following were in attendance: Barbara Garrett, Mitch Six, Kesha Schultz, Mindi Barker, Caryn Magnesen, and Dennis Miner. Corey Anderson was excused.

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

Approval of Minutes:

Mindi Barker made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2014 meeting, seconded by Caryn Magnesen, and then the minutes were unanimously approved by the Council.

Items of Business:

A) Mrs. Garrett gave an explanation of the distribution of technology funds for the 2014/2015 school year which was approximately \$10K from the beginning balance with an additional \$2, 835 from the school district. Handouts were given showing the cost breakdown for the new chrome books and other related hardware expenses purchased this school year. The following ideas were presented to support the need for this expense:

\*The students must have technology skills in order to demonstrate knowledge of concepts. To build the students' technology skills, the teachers need easy access to mobile labs which the chrome books provide.

\*Two teacher teams share 32 chrome books serving about 100 students.

\*The students became familiar with their environment and computer hardware before using the chrome books for testing thus creating a more relaxed testing site.

\*Metal dish drainers on a sturdy cart hold 16 chrome books. The books feed into a single cord for easy recharging at the end of the day. The teachers can easily move the carts from one location to another as needed.

b) Mr. Miner inquired about the gifted students arriving from the elementary schools and how they were academically challenged. Mrs. Garrett offered an explanation of how all students at Tonaquint adapt to their own level whether they benefit from remediation or the other end of the spectrum to stretching much beyond into the honors curriculum.

Meeting Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 12:32 p.m. until Friday, March 20, 2015 at 11:45 a.m.