

Foothill School Community Council Meeting

January 27, 2015

Aerwyn began the meeting with a discussion about last month's minutes. We will vote next time on the minutes from November and January. One point discussed last month was about painting the curb red out front. We have approval to do it, but we need to wait until the weather is warm enough for the paint to set.

Dr. Backman led a discussion about the needs assessment. We reviewed the stakeholder report and discussed whether to email it or provide a hard copy. The general consensus was to email the report but to have some hard copies available for those who requested them. We did not take a vote on this.

When reviewing our SAGE scores we looked at the scores without the ALL students. Even with this, the report is still very good. We reviewed all of these numbers. Many of our ALL students live in the boundaries though, so the scores are artificially low. While reviewing the scores it was noted that the Math and Sciences are clearly the areas that need attention. SLO scores were also mentioned. SLOs - Student learning objectives for the kids not tested with SAGE.

We discussed having a reading specialist for 2nd grade so there isn't the gap between first and third.

Explorer time aides are not being utilized efficiently for the money they cost. So the suggestion from the teachers is not to spend the money on them like we have in the past.

Dr. Shumway and STEM – The new science core moves to an engineering focus. Dr. Shumway can provide valuable training and assistance to our teachers. Teacher Professional Development includes a collaboration day and professional development and conferences. Dr. Shumway's teaching fits into this and is considered very valuable by the teachers.

The date has not yet been set for the grade-level team collaboration incentive grants.

There was a motion to dismiss and it was supported.