

Weaving a Lei of Aloha... Our Family...Our Culture...Our Land

## School Community Council (SCC) Minutes

Date: January 29, 2024

Time: 2:30-3:00

Location: Library

### Members Present:

Garret Zakahi, Principal  
Angie Morrell, Certificated  
Ayaka Izumoto, Student  
Keana Fritz-Nick, Student

Jessica Barbera, Parent  
Kelly Sutcliffe, Certificated  
Virginia Rose, Classified  
Alston Albarado, Community

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 2:28, Angie Morrell is facilitator, and Virginia Rose is note taker.
- II. **Introductions:** Members introduced themselves and a quorum was determined.
- III. **Ground Rules:** Students Ayaka and Keana reviewed ground rules.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes from December meeting were approved by Virginia and seconded by Jessica.
- V. New Business:
  1. **SCC timeline was reviewed for remainder of this school year.**
  2. **Proposal for School Name Change (Process/Quorum-Vote)**

The front office received a phone call that inquired about a possible name change for our school. They were told that it would be brought up at this SCC meeting and brought to a vote. The minutes would be posted on our website. Some points that were discussed are:

    - a. We would need more history of how this could occur.
    - b. How difficult this could/would be.
    - c. This would take approximately two years to happen, but we'll look into the process.

- d. Will have to research more and have additional documentation for next meeting.
- e. What names would be considered, as we would have to embrace the change as a community.

### 3. **Salaried Financial Plan and Comprehensive Financial Plans-Updates**

- a. **Salaried Financial Plan:** 2024-2025 salaried Financial Plans were submitted to CAS Dilwith and approved during the Winter Break. We will not be losing any teacher/admin. who is on our payroll this year.
- b. **Comprehensive Financial Plan:** This plan is due in March 2024 and includes, but is not limited to office staff, health aid, custodians, cafeteria workers, Educational Assistants, part-time teachers, para- professionals, casual hires, phones, internet, Xerox machines, paper, toiletries, equipment, materials, and supplies.

## VI. **Committee Reports:**

- a. Administration: wiring for new Telecom Infrastructure phone system is completed in buildings M and N, 90% finished in Q, O building will be next. Superintendent Hayashi's visit went well and ended with a promise to send our fifth graders to the Polynesian Cultural Center. Teaching lines (drafts) have been posted in the front office.
- b. Certificated: STEM Week next Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, Then STEM Fest will be that evening for students and parents together. There will be no EL that morning. HSA Science testing will also be next week February 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. School Quality Surveys (SQS) went home to families. District Spelling Bee was last week. Two students from our school went. Windel (R14) and Jeju (R-8). They both went further than some private school participants.
- c. Classified: School- wide recycling will start on February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Our school will register for Keiki Rainbow Run this year, being held at Kakaako Park. Ice Challenge was a big hit at first recess for our Aloha Cards Challenge. Thanks to Liz for helping at assembly, thanks for students help also. Please use recycling bins for intended purpose and remove other items.
- d. Students: Fifth grade has started Stem projects, almost done with presentation boards, will be making rubber band powered boats. Student Council is talking about activities such as tutoring younger students after school and Spirit Week. Ayaka and Keana represented Jefferson at our Genki Ball presentation.
- e. Parents: Jessica shared that Parent surveys were sent home, as well as ice pop challenges for classroom participation. QR code made this survey easy. There has been overall good family engagement at school. Purchase forms for yearbooks have been sent home. House of

Photography QR code made it easy. Kona Ice is also getting easier with online ordering. Thirty percent goes back to our school and towards the Color Run. Report cards have been sent home, teacher responses were quick, and we appreciate the teacher's communication.

- f. Community: Alston reported that there have not been enough funds for classes to attend *Symphony in the Hawaii Forests*. It will be replaced with *The Extraordinary Earth*, a recycling project to make pieces of art. The school will get five dollars for each piece.

**VII. Announcements/Updates:**

**Angie-** we will be having a Chinese New Year Dragon Dance assembly on Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 8; 30 a.m.

**Kelly-** There will be a Junior Spelling Bee on February 26<sup>th</sup> for grades two and three to expose them to Spelling Bee competitions. The winners will be recognized at our final assembly.

**Angie-** I am currently the mentor for Kumu Alston, who has been awarded for Grow Your Own Teacher.

**Pros and cons-**

**Pros-**We have a quorum, Mr. Bobby, visiting TLA teacher, was in attendance, many thanks to Jessica for filling in.

**Cons-** Annie unable to attend

**Next Meeting Date:** Monday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2:30, Library

**Meeting Adjourned:** 3:27p.m.