**W.D. Hartley Elementary**

**SAC Meeting Minutes**

**May 7, 2024**

**Media Center**

Agenda for today’s meeting is as follows:

* SAC business- Mrs. Kerly:
  + The meeting was called to order at 3:16 p.m.
  + SAC budget: $16152.17
  + Approve April minutes: The minutes were amended as follows:
    - There will be 2 VPK classes next year, one regular and one ESE
    - The SAC budget was corrected to $16052.17.
    - Rachael McKenny moved to accept the minutes as amended. Cat Growick seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved as amended.
  + Follow up on School Recognition Funds vote
* Mrs. Kerly reported that the faculty and staff voted on the distribution of the School Recognition Funds. Option 2 was overwhelming chosen. (Equal split among all staff members).
* Funds Request- Mrs. Appelquist:

Summer grade level team planning

Mrs. Appelquist requested a total of no more than $5520 for a day of grade level pre-planning during the summer. Will Russell moved to approve the request. Becky Cromwell seconded. The fund request was unanimously approved.

Mrs. Appelquist requested $300 to pay for the testing involved in getting ESE certification for 2 VPK teachers. Rachael McKenny moved to approve the funds request. Gretchen Wade seconded. The funds were unanimously approved.

* Principal’s Report- Mrs. Appelquist: Title 1 Parent/Family Evolvement Plan review and edit and revise the Parent/ Student/Teacher Compact

Mrs. Applequist distributed copies of the School-Parent Compact which is required of all Title I schools. The following areas were discussed:

* 1. Parent/Guardian Responsibility: Stronger language is needed in the area of attendance. After some discussion and suggestions as to stronger wording, Mrs. Applequist said that the Code of Conduct wording would be used.
  2. Parent and Family Engagement Plan: A discussion of what activities had been carried out during the 2023-2024 school year, some of which were not attended by many parents. Mrs. Applequist asked the SAC members if there were any ideas for activities that would draw more parent and family involvement. Several ideas were suggested, such as staggering the start times of Parent Nights and starting the evening off with a short informational session and combining some school activities with PTO activities, have more family events.
  3. Communication: Mrs. Applequist asked for suggestions regarding communication with parents and guardians. Many communication products require a 3rd party entity. She will look into SMORE (used at GRMS) and a few other alternatives.

* PTO news and updates

The PTO is looking for ideas to get more parents involved in PTO.

The Spring Fling was a huge success.

The next (and last meeting of the school year) will be held on May 16, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

* Community Connections- Ms. Calvert was unable to attend but sent a flyer with many activities that will be available at the library during the summer (June 2-July 27, 2024).

* District Updates (if applicable)- Mrs. Collins recommended that we go to the School District website and view the presentation on the 1/2¢ sales tax and also the recommendation for a millage increase. The sales tax initiative has to be renewed by vote during a general election, which is why it will be on the ballot this year. Linda Villadoniga said that she had seen a presentation made by Mr, Forson in which he stated that the millage rate is being requested for teacher (but not administrative) salaries. Somewhere around 90% of the money raised will be allocated to that. Mrs. Collins said that she thought that was the correct information but reminded us to watch the presentation.
* Thank you’s, farewells and looking forward to next year!

Mrs. Kerly thanked the SAC members for their time and said that she hoped everyone would be returning. She gave each member a bookmark to thank us. The bookmark has a picture of the entire student body, faculty and staff spelling out HES, with the students wearing their Hartley T shirts.

Thank you SO MUCH for serving on our SAC this school year.  We appreciate your time and input very much.  We hope you will join us again next year