**Wards Creek School Advisory Council**

**March 8, 2018**

**Meeting Minutes**

**I. Call to Order**

A meeting of the Wards Creek Elementary School Advisory Council was held in the Wards Creek Elementary Media Center on March 8, 2018. Tammy Stewart made a motion to call the meeting to order and Elizabeth Janssen seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and carried. Staci Farrell called the meeting to order at 6:09. Dana Smith recorded minutes for this meeting.

**II. Review/Approve November’s Minutes**

The Minutes from last month’s meeting were reviewed. The motion to approve the minutes was moved by Elizabeth Janssen and seconded by Renee Tatman. The motion was voted on and carried.

**III. Facetime**

Teresa Lloyd attended the meeting via Facetime.

**IV. New Business (the order of the New Business was changed after agenda was printed)**

**a. School Recognition Funds (SRF) Ballot**

Kristin Fanning read the 2016 – 2017 SRF Ballot. After noting that the ballot’s dates needed to be

to reflect 2017 – 2018 school year, no one else made any suggestions for needed changes. A question was asked about where the SRF monies came from and Mrs. Mitidieri responded that it was “A” School money. Kimberlee Pagan made a motion to send the ballot out to the staff for any suggestions for additions or changes to the ballot. Elizabeth Janssen seconded the motion. It was voted on and carried.

**b. Kindergarten Funding Request Vote**

Renee Tatman requested SAC funds for the Kindergarten team to attend the “Elevate! Taking Teaching to New Heights” professional development conference that is directly related to kindergarten. She explained the team is looking for fresh ad new ideas to stay highly qualified teachers for the students. The conference would provide them with tools and strategies for classroom management and provide growth in reading. The amount requested was $1,200.00. It will be held on a Saturday in October, so no substitute teachers would be needed. The teachers are requesting funds to cover the cost of the conference only. The teachers will cover the travel, food, and hotel costs.

A question was asked about how much money was in the SAC funds. Kristine Fanning responded with the following information:

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| **SAC Beginning Balance:** | **$16,999** |
| **½ in Reserves and ½ Available** | **$ 8,500** |
| Less Funds for United Streaming | ( 1,600) |
| Less Funds for Sensory Room | ( 1,300) |
| Less Funds for SAC Book Study | ( 460) |
| **BALANCE AS OF 3-8-2018** | **$ 5,130** |

Lisa Dowling made a motion to approve the kindergarten request of $1,200. Christina King seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and carried.

**c. Book Study: “The Whole Brained Child”**

A general discussion was had on chapters 1 and 2. Read chapter 3 and be ready for discussion at the next meeting.

**d. Curriculum Connections: Division the Common Core Way – Mrs. Shreves**

This was postponed.

**e. School Security**

Mrs. Mitidieri spoke about the new magnetic strips that are on the doors to classrooms so that doors remained locked at all times but can still be opened. The magnetic strip can be quickly removed as necessary so that the doors are locked without having to leave the classroom to lock the door. The door from the front office to the school will also remain shut. The front doors to school will not be unlocked until 8:00. A new addition will be made to the front office to “funnel” visitors to building through one access to the school. Work will begin on that shortly.

**f. What is a Professional Learning Communities – Video**

The video was not shown, but Kristin Fanning discussed the PLC professional development that the staff attended. Mrs. Mitidieri stated that Superintendent Forson wanted the district to develop PLC’s with common goal of student achievement. The focus is on learning, results, and collaboration.

Mrs. Mitidieri will be taking 12 people to training this summer who will become trainers for our teachers.

**V. Old Business**

**a. Boosterthon Sumo Wrestling: Video**

The video of Mrs. Mitidieri and Mr. Klein sumo wrestling was shown to a great response of lots of laughter. Mrs. Mitidieri thanked everyone for supporting the Boosterthon.

**b. FSA Writing**

Kristin Fanning reported that the fourth and fifth grade writing assessments went smoothly. She noted that Mrs. Mitidieri visited every classroom to encourage the students to do their best.

**c. Odyssey Tournament**

Kristin Fanning said that we had three teams representing our school. Chloe King reported that she had fun and that it was a “cool” experience.

**VI. PTO Agenda as reported by Mrs. Janssen:**

**a. Updates:**

4/6 Glow Run

4/20 Spring Fling

5/23 Fifth Grade Water Date

**b. Daddy/Daughter Dance went well.**

**VII. Questions/Concerns**

Mrs. Mitidieri announced that Christina King was the new extended day coordinator. Tammy Stewart was the new data operator. A new front desk person will be hired.

**VIII. Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on Thursday, April 12, 2018, at 6:00 in the Media Center.

**IX. Adjournment**

Megan Bastow made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Tammy Stewart seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was carried. The meeting was adjourned a 7:21.

**Attendance:** Attendees are attached on a separate list.