

Site Council Meeting – Kent Middle School February 5, 2019

All Site Council members present with the exception of Christine Melbardis and Jason Gatti.

Safety Committee Review – Lindsay Tonderys attended meeting

- a. District is heading up a comprehensive safety plan development. Have always had two identical safety plans. Now including all aspects of safety for students and staff in comprehensive safety plan. So District is revising the plan.
- b. Safety plan will be placed on website along with links to all resources on Kentfield website.
- c. Discussed removal of fire alarms on campus and working to implement that plan.
- d. Discussed Automatic External Defibrillators use for campus and there will be training on use.

Together We Can

Survey done last week (5/6) and today (7/8). Signups are rolling in. Already have over 140 students from online Lunchtime signups for 7th and 8th graders on Thursday and Friday this week. 8th graders are confused that they just finished their 8th grade service projects. Students that indicated that they wanted to have a leadership role will be contacted soon to work with parent coordinators. Will be handing the baton from steering committee to grade level parent coordinator teams at Feb 22 planning meeting.

Principal Report

More than half way through the school year now.

6th grade went to Rosicrucian Museum last week. Students said it was very interesting.

Had all school community service assembly. Nice to have whole school together in gym. Honored students who completed community service.

8th grade went through signs of suicide module and stress management module. Learned how to ACT. Acknowledge. Care. Tell an adult.

Had 3 concerts in a row last week. 5th grade Tuesday. Then 6th grade Wednesday and 0 period band. Jazz band played. Thursday had 6th grade and 7th grade and Redwood parents came.

Growth in a year from 5th to 6th grade noted as remarkable.

Have 6th, 7th, 8th grade boys and girls basketball going on now. Super fun. Play Hall next Thursday after school.

Youth Truth survey being administered across the school for all students. Students asked if they need to retake the test this week. Mr. Althouse explained students can choose to take it or not. It is anonymous assessment. Question whether every comment is read by the staff. The comments are collected by the staff and considered in order to identify trends for the students regarding their school experience.

Since animals are large percentage for TWC, any ideas for organizations to help?

- Ellie brought up WildCare
- Jenny introduced that we might think about an idea that could help multiple organizations versus overwhelming one nonprofit. Ideas included owl boxes, dog beds, dog toys. Make items at school and send them out to help – potential statewide help.
- Ben recognized a difference between collective impact and social impact. Working on a project that could help a larger group besides a smaller organization.
- Ellie brought up that the kids might think they would be hands on with animals rather than project based for the organization.

Meeting adjourned at 4:25.