

# Lake Pleasant Elementary

Site Council Meeting  
November 16, 2017

## **Members:**

Admin: Jessica Bartels- in attendance  
Admin: Dustin Hamman – in attendance  
Minute Taker: Debbie Southards – in attendance  
Teacher: Aaron Schooler – absent  
Teacher: Megan Preston – in attendance  
Teacher: Sarah Mendiola – in attendance  
Classified Staff: Anita Mattia – in attendance  
Parent: Melissa Briggs – in attendance  
Parent: Susan Prestidge – in attendance  
Parent: Morningstar Calhoun – in attendance  
Community Member: Kathy McKinstry – in attendance

The meeting was called to order at 3:17 pm.

## **Topics of Discussion:**

- **Staffing**

Mr. Hamman shared that our enrollment was continuing to grow. Due to this increase in enrollment, staffing was adjusted to increase .5 FTE 5-8 Resource Teacher and a Resource Assistant. And, with Preschoolers currently on a waiting list, we were able to get approval from the district to add a Preschool classroom effective January 2018. This additional classroom will add 1.0 FTE Preschool teacher and 1 Preschool Instructional Aide. Families on the waiting list will be contacted and openings will be advertised on the website and social media. Mr. Hamman also shared that our 5<sup>th</sup> grade is at capacity.

- **Gifted Program**

Mr. Hamman shared that he and Mrs. Bartels are continuing to move forward on exploring a gifted program to start up in the 2018-19 school year. Meetings with district centered staff and visits to a program in Paradise Valley School District have occurred. Hopefully we will be able to start communicating plans to our community in the early spring.

- **Tax Credit Drive**

Mrs. Southards shared copies of the article submitted to the December Vistancia Living article, explaining 1) what is Tax Credit; 2) who is eligible; 3) what programs does tax credit donations support; and 4) how to donate. She also shared the draft flyer that will be sent home with all students. The Vistancia Living article will hit the community the 1<sup>st</sup> week in December and the flyer will be sent home with students the same week. Email messages and Facebook posts will also go out weekly. A report of amounts collected will be reported in January.

- **Safety**

Mr. Hamman shared that the district has approved installation of the gates by the basketball courts and fencing in front of the multi-purpose room during Winter Break.

Staff has also received new ID cards with electronic chips to enter into all exterior doors.

The City of Peoria police department was on campus during our lockdown drill and made recommendations to “lockdown” the hallway doors entering the office area. With that recommendation, all hallway doors leading into the office and copy room are now locked and requires staff to use their interior door key to enter. The student entry door is still open and not locked down.

- **Other Items**

Site Council members are still interested in pursuing a gaga ball pit and pursuing grants to purchase laptops.

Site Council members asked to be updated regarding the Superintendent rumors.

- **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 14th at 3:15 pm.