



Cherokee County School District
 School Council
 Meeting Minutes Notes

Creekland Middle School
 School Council 2020-2021

DATE January 28, 2021

MEETING TIME 7:45 AM

MEETING LOCATION: Microsoft Teams

MEETING CALLED BY	Dr. Richard Carnes
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular Meeting
PRINCIPAL	Dr. Richard Carnes
NOTE TAKER	Carlie Young
BOARD ATTENDEES	Shawn Meade, Jennifer Davis, Brian Stevens, Ashlee Law, Laura Brown, Carlie Young
GUEST ATTENDEES	Nathan Cline, Leah Bleisath, Celeice Hood

Agenda Items

TIME: 7:48

TOPIC: Call to Order/Agenda Review

PRESENTER: Dr. Carnes

DISCUSSION	Dr. Carnes called meeting to order and allowed time for members to review the minutes from last meeting.		
CONCLUSIONS			

TIME: 7:52

TOPIC: Approval of November 2020 Minutes

PRESENTER: Dr. Carnes/ Carlie Young

DISCUSSION	Laura Brown made a motion to approve and Shawn Meade made a second to approve.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			

TIME: 7:54

TOPIC: Remote vs. Face to Face Learning

PRESENTER Dr. Carnes

DISCUSSION	Dr. Carnes believes the remote learning process in January 2021 was much more successful than it was in the Spring of 2020. Many students don't have access to technology at home, and school provides a safe place for several students.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			



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TIME: 7:55	TOPIC New Employees	PRESENTER Dr. Carnes	
DISCUSSION	Zach Russell has joined us as a provisional math teacher. Jennifer Cardin has taken over Ashlee Law's role as bookkeeper.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			

TIME: 7:57	TOPIC Teacher Update	PRESENTER Carlie Young and Laura Brown	
DISCUSSION	Carlie Young mentioned that the staff and students did an exceptional job adjusting to digital learning in January. Laura Brown commended Creekland for the quick distribution of technology to students.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			

TIME: 8:00	TOPIC: Digital Learning Update	PRESENTER Mr. Cline	
DISCUSSION	We had many students return to face to face learning which caused another shift in class schedules and sizes. 8 th grade is currently at capacity for digital learning, and there is limited room in 6 th and 7 th grade. Dr. Carnes mentioned that switching to digital is done on a case by case basis.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			

TIME: 8:02	TOPIC: PSAE	PRESENTER: Mr. Cline	
DISCUSSION	Students will begin this curriculum after break, occurring during their connections time.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			

TIME: 8:03	TOPIC: 8 th grade Transition to High School	PRESENTER Mr. Cline	
DISCUSSION	This week, January 25 th , Mr. Dibble has begun working with 8 th graders regarding class selection for 9 th grade. Basic Agriculture and Intro to Theater have been added at the High School for 8 th graders to participate in as connections. 8 th graders participated in career survey to determine their interests.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			



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TIME: 8:05 TOPIC: "Be Pro, Be Proud" Bus PRESENTER: Mr. Cline

DISCUSSION	There is a bus in the parking lot that allows 8 th grade students to experience technical careers in a hands-on way. Mr. Stevens commented on the fact that this bus could open the eyes of many students to possible career opportunities.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			

TIME: 8:07 TOPIC: 5th Grade Transition PRESENTER Mrs. Bleisath

DISCUSSION	Mrs. Bleisath mentioned that the transition will be different this year due to COVID-19 protocols. The 6 th grade peer helpers are creating a video to introduce the current 5 th grade students an idea of the school layout. A main priority is getting middle school students excited about our band and chorus programs. Discussed possibility of sending current 5 th graders a gift from Creekland. Special Education department is currently reading through rising 6 th grader IEP documents to determine needs for next year.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			

TIME: 8:10 TOPIC: Virtual Recruitment Fair PRESENTER: Mrs. Bleisath

DISCUSSION	The virtual recruitment fair will be held on March 6, 2020. Candidates will sign up for a one on one virtual meeting with a representative from Creekland. We are excited about this process, and we hope to find some new teachers. At this point, we are unaware of our allotments for next year.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			

TIME: 8:12 TOPIC: STEM PRESENTER: Mrs. Bleisath

DISCUSSION	STEM trainings are continuing regardless of digital or face to face model. We have 8 core teachers that are finding their "first and second followers" throughout the building to begin spreading the STEM curriculum. The STEM curriculum allows for real world application while still focusing on standards. Mrs. Hostetter is currently working on a water tower project with her STEM students through a partnership with Cherokee County Water Authority.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
n/a			

