

## **Dean Rusk School Council Meeting**

Date: Tuesday, November 10, 2020

Time: 4:30-5:00

Location: Microsoft Teams due to Covid-19

Members Present:

- Dawn Weinbaum – Principal
- Andrew Carwile – Certified Teacher
- Robyn West – Certified Teacher; Secretary
- Eric Fortner – Business Partner- Chairperson
- Chanda Schwab – Parent Representative
- Mitzi Hamilton – Parent Representative Chair
- Julie George – Parent Representative Vice Chair
- Audrey Brown – Parent Representative

Via Microsoft Teams, Ms. Weinbaum called the meeting to order by welcoming all.

### **VETERANS DAY PROGRAM**

Ms. Weinbaum and the school staff wanted to continue with the DRMS school tradition of having a Veterans Day Program. This year it will be held virtually. Staff and Students along with the school News Crew put the program together which included Band and Chorus performances, along with a guest speaker.

### **PUBERTY-SEX EDUCATION**

Each year the 6-8 grades take a course during connections. The curriculum used before consisted of several days instruction. This year CCSD purchased a new curriculum called “Choosing the Best”. This program consists of increased days of instruction. Teachers were trained and a schedule is being constructed for this implementation. Choosing the Best is a progressive curriculum. Parent letters will be going home soon with instruction on how to preview the curriculum before it is implemented. Parents can deny this course for their child if they wish.

### **BASKETBALL**

Basketball season officially starts this week! There will be limited capacity for the games held in the gymnasium this year due to Covid-19 restrictions. Because of this, tickets are on sale via the GoFan website. Only two games will be played in each location for one evening. There will be no concession stand and the students will not be able

to stay after school for the games. They must go home and then return for the games. Dr. Usry sent letters home via email.

### **ELEMENTARY AND HS TRANSITION FOR SY20-21**

Believe it or not it's transition time for rising 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> graders. Most of this will be done virtually for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students but the registration will be held in person with appropriate PPE. Dr. Townsend, 8<sup>th</sup> grade AP and Heather Phillips, SHS AP are working together on a schedule. More information to come.

### **LAPTOP REPAIRS**

The school has accrued debt due to laptop repairs. The accidental, no charge policy at this time will need to be revisited to discuss how to move forward with charges. The School Council members discussed sending out a letter to parents defining what it means to be responsible with devices, and to inform them of the change that is coming. The members also suggested letting parents know the school will work with the parents by having a payment plan in place. Other feedback is welcome by Ms. Weinbaum.

### **PRINCIPAL LEADERSHIP QUALITIES**

These were adopted and will be submitted to CCSD

### **TEACHER OF THE YEAR NOMINATION**

Ms. Weinbaum congratulated Andrew Carwile for being nominated as potential DRMS Teacher of the Year. This is a well-deserved nomination. Congratulations and best of luck, Mr. Carwile!

### **TRENDS IN EDUCATION/COUNTY INFORMATION**

None currently

### **AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

None mentioned

### **Q & A**

None mentioned.

Ms. Weinbaum thanked all council members for their participation and the meeting was adjourned.

