

TMJH Community Council

Jan 25, 2023 2:40 pm- 3:30pm

Attendees: Sooze Preston, Kim Abbett, Caleb Fine, Sarah Smyth

Guest: Michelle Stratton

Old Business

- Minutes from Nov 11, 2022 read
 - Sarah motioned to approve
 - Sooze seconded the motion
 - All present in favor of motion

Novel Review

- The novel Diary of a Part Time Indian is being reviewed a 2nd time and was approved for students but is being appealed again
- Empire of the Storms is the next novel to be reviewed
- 7 more books are up to be reviewed
- At next SCC meeting we will discuss asking for member participation in next review committee
- Plan is to review a new book every 60 days

New Business

Reading Bridge Course

- Michelle Stratton, who teaches these courses, spoke with the members
- Course helps students with reading and comprehension, to improve literary knowledge
- 8th grade Bridge helps below grade level readers, 9th grade Bridge focuses on content area
- She does "pull out" which she pulls students out and gives reading support, does "push in" where she helps in the classroom
- With type of support, students gain confidence and want to participate more in the classroom
- Program has shown to be very impactful
- Looking ahead, would like to continue with this program
- Student does lose an elective choice, looking into maybe eliminating a language course

Promethean Boards

- 2 more boards are needed by math teachers Mr. Rhodes and Ms. Hall
- These boards are proving very beneficial with assisting the teachers in the classroom

- Since our District has taken over the purchasing of Branching Minds, a software that is being used district-wide, and our SCC funds has been paying for it the last few years, we now have \$6500 placed back into our funds
- Would like to move the funds from Goal 1 Action B to Action D so that we can purchase 2 more boards
- Caleb made the motion to move the funds from Goal 1 Action B to Action D
- Sooze second the motion
- All present in favor of motion

MISC

- Concern brought up over any carryover balance at the end of this year
- Caleb said he will look into offering more academic support for students' afterschool

Word on the Street

- Parent/Teacher conferences on Feb 2
 - Online scheduling is currently open until Feb 1
 - 5 minute appointments
 - All done in person
 - Suggestion for having both in person and zoom conference-will look into that option down the road
- Make Snow Day
 - March 17 designated as our makeup day
 - This will be a RED day since that is the one that was missed
- School Dances
 - Some dances 9th graders can attend @ PCHS
 - Homecoming-9th can purchase a ticket and attend
 - Winter Formal- 9th graders cannot buy a ticket but can go only if invited by a 10-12th grader
 - Prom-9th graders cannot attend
 - Next TMJH dance is Feb 11

Adjourn

- Sarah motioned to adjourn
- Caleb seconded the motion
- All present in favor of motion

Next meeting February 8, 2023