

Salem Jr. Dec 13, 2018 SCC Minutes

In attendance:

Rebecca Devenport, Michael Stone, Rachelle Jackson, Cameo Johnson, Cecily Yeager & Melanie Paxton (PTO President)

Not in attendance:

Dave Knudsen, Kim Stewart, Keri Measom

Welcome (Rebecca)

Digital Citizenship Training (Cecily)

- We reviewed the Digital Citizenship Training Video provided by the School Land Trust.
- We started by discussing any council concerns. Michael asked about filters at our school and how they work. Cecily shared information regarding “Content Keeper” and how the district sends reports to the school when the filters note inappropriate content being searched. We discussed the “Stu-Open” wireless login that students can access on their own devices using their school login when they are on school property. This is still a filtered and monitored server. Cecily explained some of the ways that students try to get around the filters by mistyping inappropriate search terms, but these eventually get flagged, also.
- We reviewed the Nebo District “Safe Technology Utilization and Digital Citizenship in Public Schools HB213 Q&A for School Community Councils” report.
- We discussed education our students have received. Rachelle gave an overview of the Netsmartz Assembly we held in December. Her students shared what they learned from the assembly. Their biggest takeaway was not to get on the internet without a purpose. They mentioned big things you shouldn’t do on the internet and addiction to devices.
- Cameo explained that Mr. Knudsen asked the counselors to sponsor a “No Phone” week. They will do this in conjunction with their Red Ribbon Week. It will also include a Collin Kartchner assembly on 1/10/19 and a S.E.L.F.I.E. challenge (sleep, exercise, light, fun, interaction, e---). Math teachers will be asked to play math games, English teachers will be asked to have a read-a-thon, advisory will be asked to practice speed talking so kids can interact, and students will be challenged to try to memorize passages. Teachers will be asked to make sure their kids have no phones in class for the week, hopefully opting for storage in a phone chart.
- Rebecca asked who was paying for phone charts. Cameo explained that they are calculator charts and Dave is splitting the cost with teachers (\$15 total). Each chart has 42 slots so each student is assigned a number. The hope is that teachers will continue with that management plan for phones after the week. Rebecca asked if it would ever be cost prohibitive for teachers. We discussed that some teachers are planning on making them charging stations. Not only does it encompass responsible digital citizenship but also mental health. We’re also helping it becomes part of the culture.
- We discussed parent education. Cecily shared that the district has had many education nights. There will also be an upcoming night with Dr. Christy Kane in February for our feeder schools. Cecily asked what more could be done to help educate parents.
- Melanie shared that she had an email from a parent that was concerned about pornography her child had been exposed to at school by another student. Cecily shared what we’ve learned about how students try to

get around filters, what they do with Instagram searches and screenshots, and what they bring from home.

- PTO had proposed in their meeting this week bringing the Fight the New Drug Assembly to our school. Melanie was concerned that spending this money on a presentation for kids this age won't work. Cameo shared that her information from a recent conference says presentations won't work, but programs and education do. The council discussed that parents have the most control over how much access students have. Junior high is a crucial age of addictive behaviors. Rebecca asked what Cameo believes will actually work. Cameo said it's programs. Melanie said it goes back to education. Cameo said that it's the point of their Red Ribbon Week activities.
- Melanie likes that principals are getting educated, and hopes that it is getting passed down to teachers.
- We discussed getting rid of phones in schools. Melanie asked where the cell phone discussion is at the district level. Cameo said she would also like to see it. Mike said he would like to see it, too. Rebecca asked, "Are you envisioning Nebo School District saying, 'No phones in schools?'" There is a cell phone policy at the district level. Teachers choose how to enforce it at the classroom level.
- Rachelle asked if we could ban a student's phone if we determine that they've used their phones inappropriately. Cecily explained that we do address issues individually when we are aware there is misuse of phones.
- We discussed that the sexual harassment policy has been reviewed recently with their students. Melanie asked when students received this training. Cecily explained that students cover all of the policies at the beginning of the year, but they had reviewed this policy specifically either last week or this week in their advisory classes, depending on when their teacher was in the building. Rachelle asked if the presentation can be sent home. The council discussed that they feel like parents would like this information so that they can discuss it with their students.
- Rachelle shared that she has been to the "Fight the New Drug" assembly and thought it was informative. Melanie asked it was \$3,000 informative. Rebecca thinks that prevention is a huge part. Planting facts in their brain is a huge part of deterring them.
- We discussed that we should also teach how kids should deal with inappropriate material if they come in contact with it. Rachelle suggested that Corom Hughes, our social worker, could possibly meet with kids who needed help. We discussed Corom Hughes, our social worker, and his assignment in the district. Cameo clarified how our district hired 5 social workers for this school year based on a needs assessment that Ann Anderson conducted last school year.
- At 4:10, Michael asked what our action item is for cell phones. Cameo pointed out that Red Ribbon week is one item. Michael pointed out that some kids are very receptive to it. Cecily pointed out that administration can educate teachers to have students put phones away with issues that we may be aware of. Cameo will research other programs we may use instead of the assembly.
- Melanie said that PTO doesn't know if \$3000 is worth it for the presentation, they are cool with it. Rebecca pointed out that we need to find something that is engaging and relatable.

School Improvement Plan (Dave) - Tabled for next month due to time

Any items for next month's agenda? (Cecily)

- SIP
- SELFIE Week Report (Cameo)
- Cameo program research

Meeting adjourned at 4:20