

Carlson Site Council Meeting Minutes – 9-25-18

Meeting Convened at 6:00PM

Attendance: Leo Schlueter, Kim Bolding, Alma Alvarado, Wendy Zakowicz, Elizabeth Sacco

1. Principal Schlueter presented Tax Credit policies and procedures and provided an overview detailing the actual general tax credit expenditures for July 1, 2017-June 30, 2018. The site council members approved the expenditures. Principal Schlueter clarified that from a district accounting purpose, all funds would now be placed in the General Tax Credit account. Sites would be responsible for tracking their grade level specific funds.

Principal Schlueter presented Tax Credit policies and procedures and gave an overview of the areas upon which Carlson Elementary has been or will be willing to spend 2017/18 Tax Credit monies, including grade level field trips, transportation for field trips, Student Activity Clubs, Co-curricular areas including band, orchestra, and choir, Character Education, Junior Achievement, Art Masterpiece, and fees for extra-curricular programs or activities which payment might represent an economic hardship for a student. Site Council agreed that the above mentioned items were appropriate for the spending of general tax credit monies – retroactive prior to July 1, 2018. Staff members inquired about the process for inquiring as to the grade level balances in tax credit accounts. Principal Schlueter stated that any inquiries may be directed to his office and he can provide updated balances.

2. Principal Schlueter introduced the Site Equity Initiative at both the district and site level. Team members, Alma Alvarado and Elizabeth Sacco, whom serve on the site Equity Team and have attended the most recent training provided additional insight into the initiative and steps moving forward at Carlson. Discussion was focused on ensuring that staff discover the biases that are brought to the table in our profession and becoming aware of such when we approach our instruction and interactions with staff, students and parents. As a first step, our Carlson staff will undergo a series of trainings this year on the different protocols and information that is presented to our Site Equity Team. Principal Schlueter stated that it was important to look at the Equity lens through not only Race, but also SPED, gender, CTA/Classic, etc.
3. The council reviewed the current qualifications for the John & Carol Carlson Scholarship which is awarded by CEF each spring. Principal Schlueter confirmed that two \$500 scholarships will once again be awarded. The council discussed narrowing the qualifications in a series of ways. It was decided below what the qualifications would be. Those areas underlined are either new or modified qualifications.
 - a. Minimum Grade Point Average of 3.0
 - b. Participation in extra-curricular activities – in support of athletics, school clubs, music/drama, etc. Community Service – eligible candidates must have in excess of 50 hours of community service throughout their high school career
 - c. Eligible candidates must be pursuing a career in the fields of Education/Early Childhood OR Sports related studies (sports medicine, physical therapy, sports education, etc)
 - d. Available for eligible graduates of Basha and Perry High School only.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:00PM