

Prairie Creek Community School
School Board Monthly Meeting Agenda

December 19, 2019
7:00pm

Prairie Creek Community School, Northfield MN 55057

- 1 Call to order 7:02pm
- 2 Attendance

2019-2020	Aug 22	Sept 26	Oct 24	Nov 21	Dec 19	Jan 23	Feb 27	Mar 19	Apl 23	May 28	Jun 25
Trish Beckman	✓	✓	✓	X	✓						
Jason Buckmeier	✓	✓	X	X	✓						
Don Findlay	✓	X	✓	✓	✓						
Kelsey Fitschen-Hemmah	✓	X	✓	X	✓						
Bonnie Jean Flom	X	✓	X	✓	X						
Ryan Krominga	✓	✓	X	✓	✓						
Molly McGovern Wills	X	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Ben Miller	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Lisa Percy	✓	X	✓	✓	✓						
Simon Tyler-ex officio	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Keith Johnson- ex officio	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Colleen Braucher	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓						

- 3 Recognition/Announcements: Silk Road culminating event was wonderful today. Special Persons Day and the word of Olivia M, Jennifer, Angie and Ashley with the team of parent volunteers. ILEO Team for their work on the robotic team. Shelby Rodman for her work as a student teacher in the Meadowlarks.
- 4 Public Comments No comments
- 5 Approve Agenda
Moved: Don Findlay
Second: Lisa Percy
Passed: unanimous
- 6 Approve Minutes from the November 21, 2019
Moved: Lisa Percy
Second Ryan Krominga
Passed: unanimous
- 7 Items for discussion and/or reports
 - a Director Report: We current have 26 kindergarten applications for next school year. We have had one open house and will have another in February. The authorizer annual site visit was in December and we had a very positive comments from the team that visited. They noted our equity work and even though we have much work to do were appreciative of our work. Simon will report to the Northfield School Board on January 13, 2020. The radon testing was conducted on November and did not indicate any need for immediate action. We will not need to test again for 5 years.

b Education Program Committee: Book club Dr. Battina Love, new draft of the language arts curriculum. Technology committee organized specialized help for each team. The book club discussed in a large group the book and then broke into teams and made commitments at a team level. They talked about how do we bring this to the larger community, not just in newsletters. A great conversation come out to the book regarding Civic and how we teach and engage around it with the children in our school. Opportunities were identified such as systems within our school, expanding into our themes at a deeper level and examining the mission statement. Tim Goodwin has been in and following themes throughout the glasses and has been writing about theme work. A team from the Northfield District came out and spent an hour with Kelsey, Michelle, and Carley to talk about the OG training the 3 teachers have had.

c Finance Committee: There were no changes in the net income. Keith will do a comparison when the December payroll is add on how we compare year to day with last year;s payroll. There were no changes in the budget this month. The finance committee met and started to talk about putting together a budget for next year. Utilities seem to be on track for our predicted savings. The committee talked about the same strategies for as previously discussed.

d Development Committee: Thank you Simon and Kelsey for all your work on GiveMN. The auction committee is looking for more volunteers. Simon is building a database of grandparents and alums for communication. Simon has reached out to several people regarding development and getting lots of information.

e Nominations Committee: In January we will post the call for nominations.

f Policy Committee : We will review the Wellness Policy today.

g Sub Committee Reports:

Arts Committee

(submitted by Nancy Dennis)

The Arts Committee met to continue planning the 2021 Arts Residency. Committee members Andrea Mazzariello and Christine Williams met with the artist that we hope to contract. We are now in the beginning stages of writing the grant that is due in February.

The Opera Residency will begin in January. Dale Kruse and 5 of his students came out Tuesday for auditions. Many 3-5 graders tried out.

Technology Committee

(submitted by Gabe Meerts)

The technology committee had their first individualized tech PD for teachers. Each grade band was given an hour with Josh from Canopy to talk about topics of their choice. We haven't reviewed it yet but initial feedback was very positive. We will look into providing similar opportunities to the wider staff beyond faculty. Josh mentioned it is something they will offer as a model to other schools.

Wellness Committee

(Submitted Nurse Connie Menssen)

Nurse Connie is exploring Seizure Smart Training for our school. It would involve a 60 minute AV-Internet training for staff in early next year. Training is FREE through the Epilepsy Foundation of MN. This would be a useful, more detailed, part of our first aid training to support students.

The next Wellness Committee meeting is on January 9, 2020.

8 Items for Action

a Consent Agenda

Moved: Kelsey Fitschen-Hemmah

Second: Don Findlay

Passed: unanimous

b Review: Wellness Policy

Moved: Lisa Percy

Passed: Molly McGovern Wills

Moved: unanimous

c 2020-2021 School Calendar Approval

Moved: Don Findlay

Passed: Ryan Krominga

Moved: unanimous

9 Adjournment 8:20pm

Moved: Kelsey Fitschen-Hemmah

Second: Molly McGovern Wills

Passed: unanimous

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, January 23, 2020 @ 7:00pm