

McNeil Canyon Elementary

Site Council Meeting

7 April 26

Members Present: Pete Swanson, Joy Overson, Anne Love, Corise Story, Brad Conley (over the phone), Kobi Lyon, Andrew Peter

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Matt Stevens (parent), Colette Choate (certified McNeil staff & parent), Veronica Jones (Title 1 tutor)

Public Presentation: Title 1 – Veronica Jones

Pete opened the meeting by introducing Veronica Jones, our Title 1 Tutor. Veronica shared with everyone what Title 1 does at McNeil along with what this year's funds have gone to support McNeil students with reading and writing. She also talked about the events that Title 1 hosted over FY26 and the great attendance that we had from families. She also shared some ideas for next year's events and how they would continue to help support the students at McNeil. Veronica encouraged those present to complete the Title 1 survey that is currently seeking parent/community feedback.

Meeting Notes & Site News:

The council reviewed the 710 accounts and their balances. Pete explained how our school uses each fund along with potential plans for some of the funds.

Pete gave an update on the preliminary KPBSD budget that was presented at last night's school board meeting. A few of our Site Council members were present at that meeting along with Colette Choate. Pete mentioned that KPB will have their next meeting this evening but will not be presenting their budget until the following borough meeting. Site Council member, Andrew Peter, previously emailed the members with some questions that he wanted to discuss at today's meeting (see attached). One of the questions was regarding the cost of repairs per school. Andrew provided a KPB chart that showed where each KPBSD school was categorized. Andrew recognized that our current repair costs are close to Paul Banks. He was curious as to what the current list of repairs is reflecting. Pete is going to follow up with Kevin Lyon and figure out what the repair costs are for. Another question that Andrew had was about McNeil's academic goals and what they are. Pete shared a copy of what our current academic goals are in relation to English language arts, math, and attendance goals:

ELA – all K-6 students reading will score above the twenty-fifth percentile on EOY assessments and all 3-6 students will have a positive RIT as measured by MAPS and 85% of grade 3-6 students will score proficient or greater on the ELA AKSTAR.

Math – all K-6 students will score above the twenty-fifth percentile on Spring 26 Aimsweb (plus) and MAPS math assessments, all 3-6 students will have a positive RIT as measured by the MAPS and 85% of grade 3-6 students will score proficient or greater on the Math AKSTAR.

Attendance – increase our percentage of 90% attendance.

The council was reminded about the members that have terms expiring at the end of the school year. Kobi mentioned that Sherrie Lyon might be interested in being our non-parent community member. Kobi said he would like to run for another term. Brad also stated that he would like to run for another term.

Pete shared about a book he read that focuses on 33 strategies that Finland uses to make a joyful school environment. One of the things mentioned was that students have cross grade experience. Pete talked about

the fact that this is something that McNeil has been doing for many years now. He also mentioned that Finnish staff and students take multiple fifteen-minute breaks during the day to create a joyful environment. He would like to discuss this with the McNeil staff to see if this would be easily implemented.

Upcoming Events:

K-6 Jubilee Gallery Walk

4/16 – Kindergarten registration

4/9-4/30 – Archery

4/13 & 4/20 – volleyball games against WHE

5/18 – All School Beach Day

5/20 – Step-up/ 6th grade graduation

5/21 – Play Day/ Last day of school

FY24 Meeting Dates & Times:

This was our final meeting for the FY26 school year.

Meeting concluded at 4:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Joy Overson