

VAIL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Cottonwood Elementary School
Site Base Council Meeting Minutes
February 27, 2018, 4:00 PM

The meeting of the Cottonwood Site Base Council was called to order by Mrs. Sarah Bates. Members present were: Mrs. Mary-Helen Douglas, Mrs. Amanda Jensen, Mrs. Kari Joanides, Mr. Tom Kruszewski, Mrs. Chrissy Debono, Mrs. Kristin Salerno and Carol Saldaña.

Election of Clerk: Mr. Kruszewski nominated himself, Ms. Salerno seconded, the motion carried. With no other nominations, Mr. Kruszewski was elected.

Mrs. DeBono moved to approve the Minutes of January 23, 2018, Mrs. Saldaña seconded, the motion carried.

Member Reports:

No reports given

Administrative Report: Mrs. Bates reported on the following:

- Current Enrollment: 636
- Resignations: Chrissy DeBono & Catherine Watson
- Transferring: Sandra Cornejo to Esmond Station
Sharon Hodges-Owen from ORE (Sped)
Natalie Varela from ORE (5TH grade)
Barbara Vazquez to CHS
- Rebekah Valverde, SAT position
- New Hire: Kendra Kime, Paloma Monroy, Andrew Bickerton & Ian Elmido
- Adding VIP & Ventana classrooms

February Activities:

- Advanced Math Benchmark Testing - 2nd, 3rd & 5th Grade (2/28)
- Benchmark Testing-4th Grade Science (2/28)

March:

- Kinder Round-Up (3/1)
- Family Reading Night (3/1)
- Love of Reading Week (3/5-3/9)
- PTSA Meeting (3/5)
- End of 3rd Quarter/Report Cards Due (3/9)
- Girls on the Run Practice 5K (3/10)
- Spring Break (3/12-3/23)
- Intersession (3/12-3/15)
- AzMerit Awards Assembly (3/29)
- Good Friday-No School (3/30)

Recognitions:

Chrissy DeBono recognized Kristin Salerno, a student spoke very highly of her!

Mary-Helen Douglas recognized Jennifer Bliss-Morris for all of her hard work with Vail Pride Day!

Kristin Salerno recognized Bonnie Bordner for her Art displays at Vail Pride Day!

Mrs. Bates recognized the following individuals:

PTSA for catering a dinner for our teachers during the Parent/Teacher Conferences and teachers and also all of their hard work for the Father/Daughter Dance!

Jill VanAsdlan for her hard work with the Vail Pride Day Parade

4th grade team won 2nd place in Academic Jeopardy

And also to our Teacher, Volunteer and Support Staff of the Year recipients:

- Teacher of the Year- Lexi Catalan
- Volunteer of the Year- Caroline Pate
- Support Staff of the Year- Mikaela Miller

Consent Agenda:

ACTION

- A. Field trips: **(Approve)**
 ELP to Cienega Creek Nature Preserve on 4/2/18
 Kindergarten to Reid Park Zoo 4/27/18

- B. Fundraisers: **(None)**

ACTION

Mrs. DeBono moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Kruszewski seconded, the motion carried.

Old Business:

INFORM & DISCUSS

- A) CWE Family Handbook
 Mrs. Bates and Site Council continue to work together to develop the new Family Handbook for Cottonwood. Each member reviewed other Vail School District elementary schools' family handbooks and studied several more sections of each. Mrs. Bates received feedback and took notes of edits or changes on the different sections. Ms. Salerno will be compiling all notes and edits to create a final copy. The copy of the handbook will then be sent to Rena Wittwer for final review. At the next Site Council meeting, the site council members will be able to review the final copy and should be able to put a vote to it. Additionally, Mrs. Bates shared with Site Council the newest Discipline Guide which will be added to the Cottonwood Family Handbook.

New Business:

INFORM & DISCUSS

A) AZ Merit

Mrs. Bates shared dates and information about the approaching AzMerit testing in April.

Mr. Kruszewski moved to hold the next meeting on Tuesday, April 17, 2018, Mrs. Saldaña seconded, the motion carried. Mrs. DeBono moved to adjourn, Mrs. Saldaña seconded, the motion carried.

Submitted by: Dawn Ball, Acting Clerk

Date

SITE COUNCIL APPROVAL:

Mary-Helen Douglas, President

Chrissy DeBono, Teacher Member

Tom Kruszewski, Clerk

Kristin Salerno, Teacher Member

Amanda Jensen, Parent Member

Carol Saldaña, Classified Member

Kari Joanides, Parent Member

