

Woodlawn Elementary Site Council Minutes
September 4, 2019

Members Present: Krystale Neitzel (president; parent); Jayci Roberson (principal); Denise Johnson (district representative); Joni Hybsha (parent); Kim Anspach (parent); Gina Byrd-Stadler (community member; equity council); Renee Babin (teacher)

Principal's Report

- Jayci shared the district's strategic plan (4-page pocked sized brochure), which came from Dr. Lewis's listening and learning tour that was done last year. District decisions will be based on this plan and equity runs through every decision.
- Professional Learning Communities (PLC) and General Education Interventions (GEI) are two new processes to come out of the strategic plan to help buildings better serve student needs. They will facilitate better teacher communication and collaboration to meet the district's goals.
- Title support at Woodlawn: We are at about 51% of students receiving either free or reduced lunches, which is fewer students than the past few years. Title funding pays for us to have additional staff so that we can meet the needs of our neediest students.
- Woodlawn Sign Update: PTO has been working hard to raise funds for a new sign. The city of Lawrence no longer allows signs with changeable letters. We have applied for a variance which would make an exception for us so that we could still have a sign with changeable letters. The people at Luminous Neon Signs are working to assist us with this process.
- Sept. 14th is Super Saturday. There will be lots of volunteers coming to work in the OWLS area.
- September 19th is Family Fun Night. PTO has lots of fun activities planned for the evening.
- Tech update: we have almost 1:1 i-pads for most classrooms. Students are becoming familiar with logging themselves in to the devices and using applications.

School Board Report

Kelly Jones will be our Board representative starting next month.

USD 497 District Rep—Denise Johnson

- Pleased about PLC implementation and how it will drive instruction for the district.

- Denise's title is changing—she will also work with fine arts teachers
- Sept. 9th Board Meeting Denise will be presenting about the prevalence of vaping in our schools; what ideas do we have for sharing information with our families and the community?

KESA goal update: Relationships & Relevance

- Woodlawn is currently using Facebook, Twitter, Instagram social media platforms in order to connect with families and the community. This will also facilitate more transparency about what we are doing on a more regular basis.
- Kim suggested that Jayci attend Lawrence's social media group for tips and insight into posting on the various platforms
- PLC and GEI are two ways that we are working to meet our relevance goal. These structures allow us to have meaningful dialogue regarding curriculum and if we are meeting student needs.