

**Woodlawn Elementary Site Council Minutes**  
**February 5, 2020**

**Members Present:** Krystale Neitzel (president; parent); Jayci Roberson (principal); Ted Boyle (NLNA); Denise Johnson (district representative); Jessica Mortinger and Ryan Umberger (Safe Routes); Joni Hybsha (parent); Renee Babin (teacher)

**Safe Routes to School update--Jessica and Ryan from City of Lawrence**

- Work was started in 2014 to develop comprehensive and more established safe routes to school and within the community. The city has done city-wide analysis of various components of the program (strategies, crossing guards, routes, preferences, etc.) and are sending out surveys to gather more information from various stakeholders.

**Principal's Report**

- 5th grader Angelica "Jelly" Schwindt went to the Douglas County spelling bee and made it to the 4th round. Yay, Jelly!! :-)
- Annual Title I Reading and Math Night and PTO Chili Feed: Over 120 portions of chili were served that night and all participants seemed to be enjoying the activities and games.
- 3rd Annual Rudy Races were held at the end of January. Kids played minute-to-win-it games with teachers; the school mascot showed up along with a special guest (Robyn Vilcek--former 5th grade teacher).
- We've started handing out Rudy tickets to teachers for monthly drawings. This will provide modeling for students that adults also follow the same expectations that they do.
- As part of a district initiative, we are nominating an outstanding certified and classified staff member each month. January and February's winners are Laura Rayome and Sam Parr (certified); and Andi Anderson and Lisa DeMuth (classified). There is a nomination form on the Woodlawn Facebook page.
- The 2020-2021 calendar is out with a few changes from previous years.
- Important dates in February:
  - 8th Recruitment fair
  - 13th End of 2nd trimester
  - 14th No school--teacher recording and reporting day
  - 19th & 20th: Parent/teacher conferences and book fair
  - 21st No school
  - 24th Spring Pictures

### **Denise Johnson--District Representative**

- Meeting with Run Lawrence to divvy up funds from the Thanksgiving Day run; it was almost our biggest event
- Marathon Clubs also benefit from this event. Stride Track trackers are now used at every school which gives the district numbers so that they can apply for grants, etc. and get a better understanding of how many people are participating in

### **Joni Hybsha**

- Rainbow Kids and Families was awarded \$10,000 at the Transformations event held last week at Liberty Hall. This will be used to support district LGBTQ families.

### **NLIA--Ted Boyle**

- Monday, February 10 is the annual chili feed at the train depot from 5:30 to 8:30.
- Holiday donation drive: \$5,200 was collected this year. Seven families received around \$500 each in food and gift cards. The Ballard Center also received donations of diapers, wipes, etc.. Fifty-dollar gift cards were also purchased and randomly handed out to North Lawrence residents. There was also a large teddy bear donation to contend with. Twenty-eight refurbished bikes were also purchased by a kind neighbor and donated to the Ballard Center. We love NLIA!!

**Next meeting is March 4, 2020**