Cottonwood School of Civics & Sciences
Board meeting 6:00-8:00pm
October 2, 2019

Present: Sade (community member), Bruce T., Jeff S., Susan H., Heidi M., Amanda M., Nicki Phleps, Chris B., Laura S., Nels H.
Absent: Eddie Francis

Community Comments: none

Agenda vote -- Heidi moves to approve the September minutes (submitted by Laura Stanfill, David seconds. Minutes approved

Financial Report -- July and August reports. PERS is up +5%, upgrades for repairs/maintenance and janitorial, Nicki makes a motion to approve July and August minutes, David seconds

Executive Director Report -- all classes are full except for 3rd grade (21); issues with after school care and some families are being affected and turned away because of lack of staffing; PD for teachers next week (Cultural Ecology) at Tryon Creek; SBAC (Smarter Balanced) test scores are declining in mathematics; Academic committee and admin are working together with math PLC; Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion training with Hector (outside consultant) on getting a school-wide plan together; Black History Month (February)

Academic Committee -- Heidi reports out September meeting with Sarah, Susan, Amanda (9/24); Discussion on how to address math into place-based curriculum (integrating technology), Performance task is an area of need -- this should be our strength, Data analysis is at the end of scope and sequence, this is an area on the tests that we continually score low, Susan will bring to the Math PLC the idea of pushing in data analysis using technology and field work data; Heidi to plan with Sarah to look at PBE and math cross-over (10/10 @ 1-2:00pm); Plan next calendar dates for Academic Committee meeting: 10/21 @ 11am, 11/18 @ 11am, 12/16 @ 11am

**Some talk about upcoming retreat -- Jeff proposes that prospective committee members be invited to a break-out session to the retreat as a start to focus board service. 2-4pm/3-4pm (90 minutes committee breakout + 60 minutes for whole group debrief).*

Facilities Committee -- Request For Proposals for new commercial realtors (Oct 18 due date) interviews on 21st call back, 23rd (5:30-8pm) and 25th would be notification. Board members are using their contacts to broaden the search. Heidi asks about ways to diversify the search -- Jeff responds that mostly word of mouth

Marketing Committee -- Chris shares out that the website has been getting continual updates, and Laura shares out about the climate change speakers from Lincoln High and KATU/KOIN coverage; metrics are being run for the marketing committee so that they have some next steps forward; lots of pics at events for future marketing; Laura proposes a local "Heroes" mention nomination for local people who serve in the community and gift them auction tickets to promote their partnership with CSCS; Susan asks how this might impact our Community Partners -- doesn't seem like a conflict, generally members are enthusiastic

Auction Committee -- still looking at the site options (Oaks Park (4/11) and Village Ballroom (5/19)) there are some conflicts, catering and site costs are still less than the event in 2018; April 18th is a 3-day weekend for students (only CSCS); Chris asks about Red Lion and Sade says that she has called and prices were higher than the other two and no outside catering was permitted

November Elections -- Jeff announces that he will not renew term (moving to Idaho) - we will miss you Jeff!!; Nicki asks about interest in filling president position (none from those present); committee chairs will reach out to people that signed up at B2S night

**Jeff and Heidi will take care of snacks for November meeting