

Community Council Minutes February 18, 2009

Kim Heki welcomed everyone and took us on a tour of the Reading Recovery Room. The room is set up to help 1st graders get up to grade level. Right now there are only 2 students eligible to be tutored. This is phenomenal. The students are being tutored by certified teachers, not aids. We feel that it is important to keep the program up and running for future students to benefit.

The Trust Lands budget is down. \$18,000 is the proposed amount which is down almost \$7000 from last year. The district wants to keep all their teachers and also keep the class sizes down.

It was decided that we will again commit money to have two interns. They are a definite asset to the school. While they are teaching class, the certified teachers are able to go tutor the students in the reading lab. The school will look into fundraising for additional supplies and Reading Intervention materials, if needed. Remaining funds will be put into the account for general needs.

We heard from two photography companies. Rex from TSS explained their program. Then we heard from Bell Photography, our current company. It was unanimous that we stay with Bell. Their presentation was better and the whole package was more appealing. One issue was the yearbook. Bell does not have an online program at this time. They will be launching a pilot program next year with about 6 schools to try it out. They will, however, take everything and coordinate with our yearbook committee and do it as they wish. They have a team to handle yearbooks. As an extra bonus they said they will do our yearbooks for a special price.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30.

Next meeting will be April 22, 2009. Elections for new council members will take place at this meeting.