

## Johnston Elementary School Council Minutes



DATE: 2-11-2020

MEETING TIME: 7:15am - 8:00am

**MEETING LOCATION: Microsoft TEAMS** 

MEETING CALLED BY	Laura Akers, Principal
TYPE OF MEETING	Regularly Scheduled Meeting
PRINCIPAL	Laura Akers
NOTE TAKER	Meredith Rocker
BOARD ATTENDEES	Parents: Ms. Stephanie Miller, Ms. Auden Saylor, Ms. Stephanie Weathington, Teachers: Ms. Shelli Faulkner, Ms. Meredith Rocker Principal: Ms. Laura Akers Absent: Ms. Christy Ray
GUEST ATTENDEES	Angel Rusk, guest presenter

**Topic:** Introduction

Time Allotted: 5 minutes Presenter: Laura Akers

Discussion: Checking in with each other				
Conclusions: N/A				
Action Items: None Needed	Person Responsible: N/A	Deadline: N/A		

Topic: Digital Citizenship
Time Allotted: 15-20 minutes

Presenter: Angel Rusk

Discussion: Mrs. Rusk spoke today about Digital Citizenship, Internet Safety, and shared some online resources we have here at Johnston.

Digital Citizenship is thinking critically, acting responsibly, and not believing everything you see online. It is now a huge part of our world and super important to discuss with our students today.

We use Common Sense Media as a resource to teach lessons on media balance & well-being, privacy & security, digital footprints, relationships & communication, cyberbullying/digital drama/hate speech, and news & media literacy. These lessons usually include a video and questions and activities that go along with it.

iKeepSafe is another resource we use for digital citizenship. It was started by governors, law enforcement, and child advocates. This curriculum provides books and/or videos focusing on best practices for using the internet. Parents have access to these as well at ikeepsafe.org.

MackinVIA is a resource we have here that gives students access to many resources like ebooks, databases like Brain Pop, Galileo, Grolier Online, Pebble Go, Soundzabound, True Flix, etc.

Conclusions: Digital Citizenship is a partnership between school and home. We need to			
work together in order to keep our students safe on the internet.			
Action Items:	Person Responsible: N/A	Deadline: N/A	
None Needed			

Topic: Remote Learning Schedule Time Allotted: 10 minutes Presenter: Laura Akers

**DISCUSSION:** Remote learning schedule for JES compared to other schools

When we moved to two weeks of remote learning, schedules at different schools were different. Each school made decisions about the best schedule in order to meet the needs of all students using the guidance given by our Curriculum and Instruction Division. Our school made the decision to a modified bell schedule and shorten the amount of time in each subject using the guidance given. This allowed our students who received special services to receive those services throughout the day school day and best support their needs.

Conclusions: We will continue to do our best to create the best remote schedule that meets the needs of all of our students.

Action Items:	Person Responsible: N/A	Deadline: N/A
None needed at this		
time		

Topic: Open Items

Time Allotted: 15 minutes

Presenter:

**DISCUSSION:** Other Items:

St. Jude Fundraiser has been a huge success this week. We are selling Valentine bracelet grams and we are raising a lot of money for a great cause. This will definitely be a fundraiser that we will try again. In 4 days, we have raised around \$428 with all profits going directly to St. Jude.

Looking ahead . . . March will be a busy month, as it always is. Then in April, we will be taking the Milestones test in Grades 3-5. We will visit the idea of Field Days, Awards Days, etc. closer to May. We would love to have all of these activities, but we will make the best decision based on the safety of our students.

Conclusions: N/A

Action Items: Person Responsible: N/A Deadline: N/A

None Needed

ADJOURNMENT CALLED BY	Ms. Laura Akers
TIME	7:57 AM
NEXT MEETING DATE:	4/1/2021