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October 19, 2023

Present: Jodi Short, Christy Garland, Tiffany Branson, Pat Chiappetta, Nicole Shoudel, and Dr. Sonya Kiefer

Sonya Kiefer started the meeting with the pledge. She then opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

The agenda for the meeting was reviewed. Jodi Short then made a motion to approve the agenda. Christy Garland seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

The minutes of the April meeting were reviewed. A few corrections were made. Pat Chiappetta then made a motion to approve the agenda. Tiffany Branson seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Dr. Kiefer reviewed some items from the beginning of the year. This year's school theme is Sailing into Success. We are using this throughout professional learning and our learning teams this year. This year we have utilized the digital handbook again. This has been challenging throughout the district, but Lake Joy Primary is continuing to encourage all parents to use this digital platform to sign the handbook. We are also shifting more of our communication to a digital format with Class Dojo. This cuts down on our hard copies, families are able to translate online, and teachers and parents are able to share information fairly quickly and easily. Our new driveway project was completed, and we have implemented procedures with safety always in place.

Dr. Kiefer reviewed our Centegix Security System, and informed the Council of updates that are coming for our building. We are working on new doors that will lock the office area and entrance into the main hall of our school. We will also be rekeying the building and all the doors.

This year, we have worked with our students and parents for drop offs and pick-ups. We have discontinued walk-ups in the mornings and afternoons to maintain a safe environment for all students and staff. We also discontinued classroom snack calendars. We have many allergies and want to make sure we are doing what is best and safe for all students.

Jodi Short shared information regarding the District Wide initiative for Phonics with the implementation of UFLI. This is also addressing a Tier 1 need in the area of phonological awareness and phonics as we shift to more of a Science of Reading framework. Our school initiatives and focuses for the school year are phonics, number fluency, reading and RTI. Our teachers meet twice weekly and have full days of planning/collaboration every nine weeks. Our teachers continue to focus on MAP growth, MAP fluency, iReady, and Common Formative Assessments.

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Dr. Kiefer shared current academic information from the county. LJP continues to exhibit high achievement and growth in Math and/or Reading in Grades K-2 in a review of Fall to Spring. Teachers are working diligently to continue the growth from Spring to Spring of each year.

We have various grade level and school-wide events happening. Parents are able to participate in safe and structured activities. We have a PTO Fall Fest, Red Ribbon Week, and upcoming Holiday Lunches for all grade levels planned.

Mrs. Short will be sharing a link for school council training and all members should complete this training prior to our meeting in December.

With no additional discussions, a motion to adjourn was made by Nicole Schudel. Pat Chiappetta seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned. Our next meeting will be held on December 7th at 7:45am in Mrs. Short's room.