

VAIL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #20  
Vail, Arizona

School Site Council  
Esmond Station School

**Regular Meeting**  
**Thursday, November 14th, 2019 – 3:45 pm**  
**Administration Conference Room**

**Regular Meeting**

Members present: Lainie Kitzmiller, Kara Talley, Herbert Yee, Kelly Nieto, Adrienne Ordaz, Linda Slade, Jen Anderson, and Marcia Johnson.

1. **Call to Order-** Mr. Yee called the meeting to order at 3:52 p.m.
  - A. Pledge of Allegiance
  - B. Approval of Minutes- Mrs. Slade motioned to approve, Mrs. Ordaz seconded the motion, minutes were approved.
  - C. Member Reports
    - Member Reports- none
    - Administrative Report- Mrs. Kitzmiller- none
  - D. Call to the Public- none
  - E. Acknowledgement of Public Requests to Speak- none
  - F. Staff, Student, and Community Recognition

Mrs. Nieto recognized Ms. Laura in Community Programs for looking out for the well-being of all students on campus. She is a vital part of our Esmond community.

Mrs. Anderson recognized Heather Dobrynski for her years of service as a health aide and as a media specialist. Heather is so kind and supportive to the children. Mrs. Anderson's children are looking forward to the new librarian, Mrs. Allison Thompson because she has the characteristics that they loved about Heather. Heather will be greatly missed.

Mrs. Ordaz and Mrs. Johnson recognized Heather Dobrynski for always knowing when to step in and help out one of the students with special needs, often without being asked. She is a calming influence and has a good sense of what she can do to help.

Ms. Slade recognized Heather Dobrynski for being great with kids, and for always being able to find the perfect book to recommend to a student who can't decide what to read; the students always love her book recommendations.

Heather has been stellar! She does awesome lessons, and Mrs. Slade's nephews always look forward to library time with her.

Mrs. Talley recognized all of the Esmond parents for participating in the Federal Impact Aid survey. We had 100% turned in, which we could not have accomplished without the amazing parent support that we enjoy at Esmond.

Mrs. Anderson and Ms. Slade recognized Kelsey Diaz, who works in Esmond's cafeteria, for being kind and caring and advocating for the students and teachers. She does so much for our school, and is always the first one to volunteer. They were very grateful for her willingness to help to organize the Thanksgiving meal so that staff, students, and parents can enjoy this special day together.

Mrs. Kitzmiller recognized the following:

-The Esmond Station Family- Earning an A label from the State Department of Education

-Red Ribbon Week Committee, Mrs. Bullington, Mrs. Countrymen, Ms. Stark, Mrs. Roberts, Mrs. Morrison and Mrs. Benson, for putting together an engaging week for students.

-Ms. Mathias, Mrs. Finn and Mrs. Lewis for organizing a fun night of trunk or treating and engaging activities in the MPR.

-Mrs. Ordaz, Ms. Dean and Mrs. Aguiar for hosting SpEd for hosting BT visitors from several states. Our visitors had time to visit classrooms and learn from our amazing SpEd team!

-Toni Carlson and Kara Talley for a great effort in collecting Federal Impact Aid forms. These forms help secure federal funding for our schools.

-PTSA for getting PTSA for providing pies for the Thanksgiving meal.

## **2. Consent Agenda**

### **A. Field Trips**

### **ACTION**

Mrs. Kitzmiller will present field trip requests for approval.

The following field trips were presented: ReSources Vail Food Bank & Thrift Store for Mrs. King's kindergarten class, and Vail Innovation Center for Ms. Henson's Hack-a-Thon students. Mrs. Nieto motioned to approve, Ms. Slade seconded the motion, all field trips were approved as presented.

### **3. Old Business**

#### **A. Staff & Enrollment**

**INFORM**

Mrs. Kitzmiller will update the Council on current staff and student enrollment at Esmond.

Mrs. Kitzmiller shared that Heather Dobrynski has done a great job over the years with helping students love the library and look forward to going there. She will be going to school to become a nurse, and we wish her all the best.

Mrs. Kitzmiller, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Brazzell, Mr. Bever, and Mrs. Talley were on the interview panel for the media specialist position. We had many great applicants to consider, and after much discussion Allison Thompson was selected for the position. Allison's work in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade has shown that she is kind and caring, but can push and spark a love of reading in our students. Allison will take over this new role after Thanksgiving.

Marcia Johnson will be filling the classroom parapro position in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade that was vacated by Allison. This change will happen after Thanksgiving, as well. Marcia has worked closely with the second grade team, and has a good understanding of how their classrooms are structured. She will be a great support to our second grade team.

Due to Marcia's change of position, we now have a new vacancy in special education for a parapro, which we hope to fill as soon as possible.

### **4. New Business:**

#### **A. Calendar**

**INFORM**

Mrs. Kitzmiller will inform the Council of the upcoming events at Esmond during November/December.

11/15- Kathy Hoffman visiting the Vail School District

11/18- 11/22- Book Fair

11/20- Thanksgiving Meal for students/parents/staff

11/20- Band 6 p.m, Choir 7 p.m.. VTOTA

11/21- PTSA Pastries with Parents, 7:30 a.m. - 8:20 a.m.

11/22- Benchmark Awards Assembly

8:30 a.m.- 2nd, 3rd and 4th grade

9:30 a.m.- 5th and 6th grade

1:30 p.m.- 7th and 8th grade

11/25- Spelling Bee

8:30 am. - 3rd grade

9:00 a.m.- 4th grade  
9:30 a.m.- 5th grade  
10:00 a.m.- Middle School  
11/27, 11/28, 11/29 - No School  
12/6- Polar Express, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
12/13- EIE Day  
12/18- Craft Day  
12/20- ½ day

**B. Polar Express**

**INFORM**

Mrs. Kitzmiller will update the council on the plans for this year's Polar Express.

The PTSA is helping to sponsor the Polar Express, but teachers will still be running games and can still receive grants from the PTSA for specific items needed for their classrooms. The PTSA will be selling wristbands for children to be able to play games throughout the Polar Express event. Each staff team will be decorating an area throughout campus, as well. The hope is to make the campus look like Winterhaven with different themes and decorations throughout.

**5. Agenda Items**

**INFORM**

Follow up on "no idling zone".

**6. Next Meeting**

**ACTION**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 12<sup>th</sup> @ 3:45 pm.

**7. Adjournment**

**ACTION**

Mrs. Anderson motioned to adjourn, Ms. Slade seconded the motion, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.