

These minutes are currently unapproved, but will likely be approved in the October 2024 meeting

TECS North LAND Trust Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 23, 2024, 3:30 pm, Mrs. Lewis' Office

Committee Member Attendance:

Employees: Stephani Bennion (present), Merry Nielson (present), Paula Scott (present)

Parents: Justin Allred (present), Adam Burris (present), Kallie Larsen (present), Jeff Mason (present), Rory Anderson (absent), Kate Ballard (absent)

Principal: Jamie Lewis (present)

Secretary (Non-voting): Angela Barton (present)

Others who were also present:

Assistant Principal, Christina Smith and Office Manager Lori Lundberg

Minutes:

1 - **Welcome and introductions** – Those who missed the previous meeting were introduced.

2 – **Approval of the October 2023 minutes** – October, 2023 minutes were sent after the October meeting and discussed by email. Jamie Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 2023 meeting. Adam Burris seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

3. **Governor Cox letter regarding cell phones in schools** - The letter that Governor Cox sent concerning the use of cell phones in schools was discussed, noting that our school policy agrees and is already followed.

4 – **Review of current school data** - Current school data was reviewed. Rise scores from 2014 through 2023 were reviewed and discussed. Acadience Reading and Math were also reviewed. Overall all three measures are on an upward trajectory. It was noted how important it is for students to be reading at grade level or above by the time they reach 3rd grade to be able to succeed at the highest levels in future grades.

5. **Decision for 2024-2025 School Plan** – One of the goals that was made is to have one year or more of growth in phonics (phonograms) and spelling during the 24-25 school year. This goal will be measured with Acadience Reading Composite scores for K, 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade and compared to state averages. We will also measure this goal with our Monthly Spalding

Spelling scale and our monthly in house phonogram tests in grades 1 – 5. This goal can be funded by spending \$7,500 towards teacher stipends for Spalding training. \$3,000 will be needed for books, curriculum and subscriptions. \$9,500 will be put towards salaries and benefits for Elementary teachers and/or aide wages. The LAND trust funding for this goal is \$20,000, which will cover some but not all of the expenses for this goal.

Another goal was made to increase the percentage of students who are proficient on the end of year Acadience Reading testing from the end of 23-24 to the end of 24-25. That goal will be measured with the Acadience Reading composite scores for K, 1, 2 and 3 as well. This goal can be funded by spending \$52,414.59 towards salaries and benefits for Elementary teachers and/or aide wages.

Adam Burris made a motion to approve both goals and Stephani Bennion seconded it. It was approved unanimously.

6. **Adjourn** - Adam Burris made a motion to adjourn at 3:59 pm and Merry Nielson seconded it.