# The Green Street School Leadership Council will met online Monday June 3rd at 7:00 pm

#### 1. Call to Order 7:05 pm

In attendance: Erin, Matt, Kate, Chrissy Lauren

### 2. Principal updates

The 5th grade field trip went well, it was a good opportunity for the students to travel and see other other areas. Pen pals visits have potential to expand as a field trip program. It's hiring season this spring, with a change in 1st grade, and 2 openings in 2nd grade that will be filled with board approvals.

A new hire as a school social worker is up before the board for approval as an internal shift of staff. An opening in 3rd grade is interviewing.

Interviews are happening for a school counselor, there will be a whole new wellness team incoming for next year.

This week is spirit week, with a pride picnic planned by the diversity, equity and inclusion committee. The invite was open for families.

Upcoming next week is a 6th grade trip to Spofford and graduation.

Open house for incoming Kindergarteners is next week.

#### Family survey:

Panorama survey circulated online for families of district schools about school safety, school climate, and school fit.

Green Street School had 60 responses, each family responded for each student, not a representation of 60 families since some families have 2 or more students enrolled. The administration is thinking of ways to improve participation in these surveys.

One outcome is to brainstorm ways to describe bullying and bullying online as children have phones at younger ages. There is a strict definition of bullying versus, picking on, being mean, or hurting someone's feelings. The questions about bullying can skew data if they are not including that information.

The WSESD School Board has been looking at surveys and the offered questions. The survey and questions are applied across the district to every grade level. Results are presented in a grade level breakdown, with a confidential category lumping multiple grades, making 1st, 4th, and 6th grade answers hidden. The results did not offer enough transparency.

#### 3. School Board updates

Staff appreciation district-wide. Food platters will be delivered to staff at each school as an appreciation gesture.

#### 4. New Business

- a. Post Mortem of GSS LC, what has changed, what should change.
- b. More parent involvement with the committee.
- c. What do current LC members enjoy about the LC?:
- d. A simple way to stay involved and participate in school without added commitments of time, donations, or fundraising. An awesome entry into committees, providing a chance to participate or just observe without guilt.
- e. Opportunities to advocate, to put GSS front and center giving the school what it needs, supportive involvement.
- f. Meetings are informative, with deeper level information than is available in newsletters, and the ability to dig in with questions.
- g. Potential to strategize on improving parents' involvement in surveys.
- h. Reading survey results and offering analysis on how an average parent interprets questions and data.
- i. Family input.
- j. Supporting the school.
- k. Guide with a gentle approach, meeting with the Principal and board members at the same time to bring info back to the school board and the whole district.
- I. Ways to gain participants: Post a brief and colorful headline of topics and highlights for the next meeting, making what's ahead available for families.
- m. Newsletter marketing, sharing the meeting link and quick notes in the weekly news.
- n. Website adding a welcome message to the Green Street School website with the meeting link posted.

## 5. Next Meeting August/September