River Valley Middle School PSSC

Agenda - April 29, 2019 @ 6:30 PM

- 1. Welcome
 - 1. 6:41
- 2. Attendance
- 3. Approval of minutes from March
 - 1. Motion by Christine Jacobson
 - 1. Seconded by Terri Day
 - 2. Revisited cashless schools. Cannot get a clear answer on what it costs. The district says that there isn't another 3% on top of the 4%, but that there is a licensing fee, though they won't say what that is.
 - 3. Grade 8 trip, 2 buses and Mrs. McGrath will be driving.
- 4. Discussion points
 - 1. School Supply Lists 2019-2020
 - 1. Used to have 6 lists (3 English and 3 French)
 - 2. Can we do a calculator without Pi?
 - 3. Could someone purchase everything and have it ready?
 - 1. School doesn't want to?
 - 2. Bell Schedule Change 2019 -2020
 - 1. 7 x 40 minute periods per day

- 1. This allows flexibility in scheduling, but creates a lot of lost time in transition
- 2. Likely going to move to 55 minute periods
- 3. Only real change is that first bell would be 5 minutes earlier.
- 4. Talked about moving to 1 hour periods, but don't want to lose intervention block (Raider Time).
- 5. Will still keep ASAP
- 6. Maximum number of hours a student should be in school is 5 ½ hours (not including lunch)
- Teachers are supposed to get 30 minutes of prep per day
- 8. Currently they all get a full period
- 9. They will probably end up at 4 prep periods per week, so number of periods will go down, but time will go up.
- 2. Bus schedules are messed up.
 - 1. District says that it's because the addresses are wrong. They're not.
- 3. Transitions Grade 5 and Grade 8
 - 1. Always a big item this time of year.
 - 103 Grade 5's coming in, but losing 108 grade 8's.
 - 3. They have meetings regarding every student incoming or outgoing.
 - 1. That takes up quite a bit of time.
 - 2. Learning plans follow kids.

- 3. They don't usually take them off the plan before high school, but will discuss the fact that they probably don't need it.
- 5. Rave Run coming up in June. 1st Saturday.
 - 1. Always looking for people who are willing to run or volunteer.
- Likely will stay the same amount of homerooms. 10 French, 5 English. There is currently a 6/7 split, so there will be a 7/8 split.
- 7. Discussion regarding FILA supply teachers at the end of the year.
- 8. Future discussion/action items
- 9. Adjournment