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Mrs. Welser welcomes everyone." Unfortunately, we are not able to vote on February minutes because there are not enough voting members. We will go ahead and start our meeting." Mrs. Welser updated equity to the agenda, and it was emailed this afternoon. The budget update are school recognition funds at \$35, 256 and the school accountability funds are still at \$ 10,015.75. However, Mrs. Welser got an update just an hour ago that the scholastics books that we ordered for 3<sup>rd</sup>- 5<sup>th</sup> grade, that we approved at the November meeting has been shipped and it should be here in the next 10 days. It is excited to get those books to 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade classes. Therefore, those budget numbers will go down for next month. Now we will have principal updates.

Mrs. Sierra welcomes everyone. There is a lot that has happened in February. You have probably seen a couple of beautification projects going around campus. For the service love day, it went well. We had a school wide lollipop exchange that was sponsored by PTA. We did plant some new plants and we got some flowers. We did some gardening and now we have a vegetable garden that was also sponsored by PTA. For the vegetables garden, we are already seen some tomatoes growing and we will have all kinds of vegetables. In addition to that, we have the media center carpets cleaned last Friday and they turned out nice. That was also a PTA project, thank you, then our office got a carpet scrubbing and those were the two big projects that we had on our list. We also had the custodians do some dusting in the classrooms, every single classroom had their windows sill dusted and their blinds dusted by our custodial staff, that was done on the 14<sup>th</sup> which was the extra early release day. We had a couple of hours to get in the classroom and clean. Moving forward, we are getting ready for the end of the year, "my budget will be something that I will be presenting on at stack for the next year so projections will be something that I will bring to the tax team and also have the chair person from the staff team sign off on it" so, we will be looking at that one of the big things that I talked about is the impact of the new townhouses that are being built right behind the school so we will get some ideas as we move forward. I think the first closings are set for April. Loretta got a nice little sheet at the front office so when we get some new registrations because as we know public school, if you live within our boundaries, we have to provide space for you. Therefore, as we get those new kids, we will be tracking to see how many are going to each grade level. We do not what will happen or how many families are going to show up. Then, kindergarten roundup is coming up March 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00

pm. We were kind of going back and forth on whether we maybe could get an informal poll here of doing it in the Media Center this year as an option or doing it in the cafeteria. So, pros and cons to both, the Media Center is a little bit more intimate, it will allow maybe some pull out opportunities for our kindergarten teachers to kind of pull the little kids aside and do some little projects with them while we do all the housekeeping stuff and giving all the parents information so we kind of brainstorm with our kindergarten team which half of them are over here. Maybe a little switch up this year as an option for kindergarten roundup we are doing it in the cafeteria like we usually do. The kindergarten team thought to try to make it a little more fun for the kids and not so much coming and just listening to the grown-ups talk. So, the kindergarten teachers taking the little ones to the Media Center and doing coloring, some dancing, reading, this way showing them what we do in kindergarten and just letting them have fun while their parents are listening to the information without worrying about occupying their child at the same. It was actually the kindergarten team that brought it up to admin as a suggestion. We typically come to kindergarten roundup and teachers are kind of hang out in the back. This is an opportunity to interact with kids and then for the kids to feel comfortable. We hope for a lot of families showing up, it is usually between 50 to 60 families. We hope to grab some of those new Eagles coming in to withstand our projection for next year.

We have been selected as a host site for the summer learning experience. "I have done in the past two years of once, I am here and in Park Trails, so I feel confident that we have the system down. I am not saying it is not going to be easy, the biggest challenge is to prep the school or the fall while teaching 22 days" It takes a lot of manpower to get the school up and running during the summer and turn around and open it right back up for August. So, the biggest challenge is cleaning the school which we already know is one of the things that we don't need more challenges, but we get all other custodians from the other schools to come over and help us. Mrs. Glancy and I looked at the calendar and it will be about 8 days to clean the entire school. We are not going to be able to host summer camp this summer, I have already talked to Bright Eyes, and they will be operating at another site. They are working on that. Hosting summer school was inevitable we knew it was going to be our turn at some point, so we are just in our turn this year. We invited 600 kids and about 300 shows so 600 kids in this school we are going to utilize most of the classrooms. 300 kids as you know with summer learning it involves four different programs. We have 3<sup>rd</sup> grade reading academy which is our only for 3<sup>rd</sup> graders that are not passing 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, then we have ESY which includes all of our special programs, so we need all the pre-kc, pre-kb, all those classrooms, then we have what is called countdown to kindergarten that is for the incoming kindergarteners. This is eligible for anybody who is currently in VPK that is coming here for kindergarten. Then we have anybody that gets invited because they did not meet the expectations this year. So, that is four different things we have for four different groups of kids. Each group has a different ratio of kids, different staffing needs, different paraprofessionals and we have to feed all these kids' breakfast and lunch in four hours. Spoon nutrition feeds the kids, and it will be

free. There is transportation as well so that is part of it, I think last year we had 18 buses that dropped kids off and picked them up every day so as you know we are neighborhood school we are not used to buses. I am going to meet with the staff on Tuesday at the faculty meeting and kind of talk about this as well, this will be one of those things that we just have to boots on, dig in anybody that is willing to work over the summer. I will be meeting every Friday, the first meeting will be registration which it is a group effort, the good thing is that I have done this, and this will be my third year. I have worked with these five principles, and we all work really well together, and we make sure everything gets coded correctly. The hard work comes to prep and to be ready. Summer school will start June 20<sup>th</sup> because June 19<sup>th</sup> will be a federal holiday. It will run from June 20<sup>th</sup> to July 27<sup>th</sup>, it is a four-day school week from 8:15 am to 12:15 pm. It is only going to be one session, six weeks; last year we have option but I will take everybody that wants to work the whole summer first so they get priority then let's say that I need a first-grade teacher and I do not have anybody who wants to commit to the whole summer then I will do two teachers, two sessions. It is only 22 instructional days so having two teachers adds madness. So, speaking of summer camp and bright eyes, as many of you know, they have been providing us with aftercare so bright eyes has to go through a formal process to become part of the bid so we are going to be transitioning out of Bright eyes starting after the spring break and we will go back to school board operated aftercare for the last 49 days This is something that is kind of happened over the years where we ran our school board operated program. Honestly it was a lot of extra work on top of the extra stuff we already have going on so for me as a principle it is important to kind of delegate, and if I could delegate my aftercare to a private provider that works for us and it is able to partner with us and that was something that in COVID times as you know not many private providers were able to staff being honest with you there's a lot of private providers that are part of the bid and I know many of you that work with the school board, you know that you have to be an approved vendor part of being approved vendor you have to be part of the process there's a formal request for proposal and bright eyes did not go through that process so it was like a temporary thing to happen so we did a lease with them so it was all kosher everything was kosher until the private providers that were on the bid got wind of all the business that these other people were so then they wanted that business back and so now the school board is in a pinch and they have been forced to move and correct any things that were done that were not in line with policy so policy is very clear and we're not able to make any exceptions due to COVID anymore. So those parents who have kids in aftercare will see no disruption in service. We will do this seamlessly and I am now in the process of hiring all of the bright eyes employees as school board employees right now so letters will go home this week to all parents so I know I rely on my crew here with the staff team and staff actually approved so then we can bring as well parents might be

wondering why and what's wrong and why is this happening now and I want to be totally transparent. This is something that was not like it was not approved by the district.

E proof service is a customer satisfaction survey I guess, and it'll have to be completed. It opens March 1st it has to be completed by students and staff. Students in grades three to five will be doing it in class, the information will be sent home in the newsletter. Teachers will probably send home a little blurb about it, but these surveys will be completed online on the website you can fill out one survey per child so if you have three kids you'll fill out three surveys. If you are a staff member and a parent, you can fill out as a staff member and one as a parent. Staff members will fill out as well and we need 80%, 20% of our total population. Twenty percent does not sound like a lot like it is a lot. It is kind of customer satisfaction so how do you feel about all the teachers are doing, how do you feel about safety and security about cleanliness about cafeteria about all aspects of the school and how it's run it's kind of like a business.

Let us talk about our assessor incident. No incidents reported.

Mrs. Welser. I'm also the equity liaison here at our school so I am in charge of making sure that students are learning about all the other cultures and that we are being inclusive of all students and cultures. One of the big things that I've tried to share with the team leaders is each month it's kind of like set aside to recognize a different culture or a different population of students as many of you know February Black History Month so a lot of the classes are around school have been doing black history project some of the teachers shared projects with me so I wanted to share them with you guys because I thought that they were really good and the kids actually came by my class last week on Friday and their outfits so these students are in disgrace this 4th grade class right upstairs they did a living museum basically they dressed up as favorite famous African Americans from the past all the way to the present and they dressed in outfits and they did poster boards and they had to give a little presentation students walked around and visited the classroom teachers walked by and visited and they had like a little paper basically that said press here for me to talk and you would press the button and then they would give their little speech and it was very cute and they came by and saw me in their outfits and invited me to share with you guys what they've been doing so I just have some pictures of some of her students that I wanted to share with you because they were really cute and they worked really hard this is just the first set of pictures I guess the first group went on Friday and then other groups are going to speak so she's going to send me more pictures but she shared views so I thought they were really good the kids in her class and you can see on the little girl's desk there the little push here button and then this is from miss mayberry's hallway if you look outside of The Art Room you can see all these art projects that they were doing and this one's more on inclusion than Black History Month but the story that she read was the big umbrella covered everyone. Coming up in March it was women history month, so I have encouraged the teachers to share things with

influential women in history all the way until today. April is Jewish American Heritage Month, as well as inclusion and autism awareness month. I am going to continue sharing wonderful things that the students are doing. We have an informational meeting today, thank you all for coming.

Meeting finished at 3:05 pm.