

Native American Education Committee (NAEC)

Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, January 24, 2024 @3pm

YAN Learning Center

1. Welcome @ 3:04pm

- Merchelle Jackson, Lamonica Claw, Monique Prigmore, Matt Schumacher, Carol Carrillo, Sylvia Wilson, Jesse Kennen.

2. School Events

- Yavapai College Law Enforcement Collaboration
- Basketball Tournaments- Verde Valley & Small Schools
- Gym named "Vincent Randall Gym"
- Vincent Hood & U of A- Pre-assessment for the students Friday January 26, 2024

3. CJSJ update Superintendent/Principal

- Holbrook PowerPoint/ presentation of data and student surveys to incorporate/modify to CJS.
- CJS Staff attending Integrating Indigenous Studies 1-4pm March 27, 2024
- Donation of Plaque for Vincent Randall Gym from Laser Etch. Unveiling at Small Schools Tournament.

4. Native American Club update

- Small Schools Tournament- looking for volunteers.
- Reintroducing Introductions in Yavapai & Apache.
- Learning Colors & Numbers.
- Next Month Bingo with Reba Franco.
- Middle school grades are learning to read the book "Squirrel Goes to School" in apache.
- Future planning for Exodus Day in February.

5. Student Representative Update

- Eli James not present due to participating at the Yavapai College Law Enforcement program.
- Actively working with the music teacher with his drumming.

- He has a busy schedule with also being the school mascot.

6. CJS Indian Policies & Procedures

- Only dates were changed so it was turned in with this year's grant proposal.
- Holbrook Indian Policies were helpful to add an achievement and participation assessment. Grades, Subject, Ethnicity. Etc. to target certain areas for our Native students.
- Work Session to solely work on the Indian Policies & Procedures is scheduled for February 21, 2024

7. Anti-Bullying

- Mr. Schumacher is aware and says the bullying is significantly down from 10 minor offenses and 7 major offenses average per month. To address this is to contact the Yavapai County Health Department to see what services they can provide or campaign to get out positive messaging. Also involving CJS Student Council and Mrs. Shilling to possibly do a presentation or create ambassadors. Revitalize programs to help. Create safe space for the students.
- Mr. Kennen share about his experience from other programs. "Culture Caring" monthly positive awareness. "Kindness Ninja" creating positive messages for people. Pushing positivity can catch on with kids. Experienced environments of seeing less of it if it doesn't get accepted.
- Monique Prigmore experiences bullying amongst the children at school. Race, home life comments of students are an issue. What can CJS develop for them to be proud of who they are? Revitalize the Native language. Not dealing with the problem is an issue. A way to combat the issue may to have the kids say what they are being told and how they are feeling. Adults need to be telling them "No, you're strong, beautiful, etc." Speaking the message daily and consistently.
- Carol Carrillo addressed her concerns and experience.
- Sylvia Wilson addressed her concerns and experience.
- Merchelle Jackson addressed her concerns and experience.
- Chairperson Claw would like to address the issues from parent concerns. Positivity and Communication are a big part of it. Hope to come up with a resolution for all students. Sports help students understand they need to get good grades. Stability is what they may need, when they might not have that at home. Looking forward to get something started for the students and seeing these barriers come down.

8. Open Session/ Concerns

- All were addressed.

Next Meeting- Feb. 21st, 2024

Adjourned @ 4:35