

## **Royal Valley USD # 337 Impact Aid Advisory Committee**

November 8, 2019

The USD 337 Impact Aid Advisory Committee met for the first time this school year on **Friday, November 8, 2019** at 9:00 AM in the Royal Valley District Office.

Those in attendance were Aaric Davis, Joel Hesed, Heather Hundley, Dawn LeClere, Kristina Matsapto (for Stephanie Jim), Justin Moore, David Schooler, Noah Slay, and Tammy Ruddy.

Absent were Lisa Balaun, Camilla Chouteau, Laura Douglas, Anita Evans, Nathan Hale, Carrie O'Toole, Josie Pahmahmie, and Ashley Wick.

Aaric Davis provided the committee with an update regarding Impact Aid funding. The Department has made final payments for all fiscal years FY18 and prior. It was noted that the application will be published on December 1, 2019. Royal Valley preliminary numbers show an increase in student forms returned. A historical table showing student numbers for Federal Impact Aid was shared with the committee.

Aaric Davis shared with the committee the information he will provide to the Tribal Council when they meet on December 12, 2019 for the Consultation Process.

Aaric Davis motioned and seconded by Kristina Matsapto to approve \$8,000.00 to help with cost for a District Social Worker. After a time for discussion and questions, it was voted on and passed unanimously. A letter will be sent out to Tribal members and parents for their feedback before added to the budget.

Tammy Ruddy discussed the transition to the New Impact Aid Grant System (IAGS). The G5 website will no longer be used to submit applications and instead will be through IAGS. Tammy will be participating in webinars and training videos on the new system.

Aaric Davis shared with the committee that the District underwent an Impact Aid Desk Audit. Funding was lost on about 30 students due to incomplete forms for reasons such as a box not checked or a zip code missing. Corrections are not allowed to be made by the office staff after parent has signed the form. The committee discussed the importance of having complete forms returned and how to help assist in this process.

The areas of funding in the 2018-2019 budget were reviewed. Impact Aid funded Elementary Math and Reading support for at-risk students, Student Success Program at Royal Valley Middle School, Athletic and Extracurricular Bus Transportation for grades 5-12 students, Dues for National Impact Aid Associations, support for Native American Singers and Dancers, Native American Language Supplies, and Middle School Enrichment Supplies. Heather Hundley shared that the Middle School Robotics team will have their first competition on November 16, 2019.

It was decided that the district will continue to work with Michelle Simon, PBPN Media Relations Specialist to get information out to tribal members and parents, as well as using the District website and mailing the information out to families.

The Impact Aid Advisory Committee has agreed to meet again in February. The date and time have not been set.