



School Community Council Meeting Minutes (Approved 11-16-17)
Thursday, October 12, 3:15 p.m. – School Library

“...what is in the best interest of the students...”

1. Welcome – Introductions -- Tracie Sexton, Amy Perry, Meghan Looper, Katherine Duncan, Heather Armstrong, Julia Lyon, Elissa Wiscomb, Chris Fuller Lynn Rosen, Katherine Kennedy, Betsy Kleba, Caryn Fletcher and Deborah Candler in attendance. Excused from this meeting: Jim Levy, Brandon Bennett, Jennifer Hughes
2. Announcements
3. School Reports
 - a. PTA Report – Meghan Looper, PTA Vice President substituting for Christine Lipson, PTA President -- donations already at \$44,000 -- on Friday, students should wear navy blue Wasatch T-shirts or something with stars to celebrate fundraiser success. Volunteers needed for Halloween carnival. Now talking about making Monster Mash instead of Spook Alley. Discussion about who else might be able to be tapped whether students or other schools to help. Small business Friday will be on Dec. 8 from 1 to 3 p.m. Parents should send photos to rachel.preslar@slcschools.org for the yearbook. Current work on getting “Screenagers” shown at Wasatch -- potentially late November (likely will have to be in January due to scheduling). Babysitting would be available for school-age children.
 - b. SIC Chair Report – Elissa Wiscomb -- Teachers have had a lot of trainings and professional developments. Will have writing training Oct. 23. Math one recently. Some issues at lunch with noise and disruption so new policy where doors are shut in main hallway. All lunch bins will stay by cafeteria and kids are not to come into halls without hall pass. Fifth and sixth-graders were not getting lunch choices and some kids were going back for seconds or thirds. Numbers are being held for specific grades. Kids can eat two lunches but must pay for two and request two in am. Grass on R Street that’s often mud -- SIC wants to see if sidewalk could be lengthened (to prevent mud from coming in school). Wiscomb says SIC will discuss a potential White Ribbon week (about technology and staying safe). Curriculum would be bought and parents help teach. Sexton thinks best time to do White Ribbon week would be in conjunction with showing of “Screenagers”.

4. Agenda

- a. Approve September minutes (vote) Betsy Kleba made motion, Caryn Fletcher seconded. Unanimously approved.
- b. Optional School Community Council Training (October 10th) -- Tracie attended event looking at how to make SCC more inclusive and informal. Several Spanish-speaking mothers were there and interpreters were available. Common interests by all parents about how to find more voices and general interest in gaining more education about talking to kids, etc.
- c. Informal Parent Breakfast with SCC, PTA, Admin. (October 5th) -- Planning on continuing community engagement -- talking about parent education group with a variety of topic possibilities. Next one is scheduled for November 9th.
- d. School Items
 - i. Complete School LAND Trust fall requirements (Council Membership Report, Principal Assurance Form) including school website posting: **DUE** October 20, 2017. The school website has been fully updated. All requirements have been completed.
 - ii. SAFE Neighborhoods Program Presentation/ Upcoming Plans -- event in September not well attended -- only 10 people. School feels it could have been better advertised by city and within community. Future ideas for school and community involvement include CERT Training (John Flynt to hold if 20 people interested in attending. Also would like to hold a “build your own 96 hour kit”. Sexton feels that a task force for emergency preparedness/SAFE Neighborhoods would be best way to increase involvement.
 - iii. Review and update School Emergency Plan -- Principal Candler says it will be put on website. School practices regularly and has evacuated the building in a few minutes. Younger students go to First Avenue above small playground and older students go to playground across South Temple. Substitutes are given info on emergency plan and ability to lock doors. School looking at possibly doing active shooter training. If school had to remove to different location, could go to Reservoir Park or Bryant Middle School. All of evacuation maps have been updated.
 - iv. Emergency Backpacks are now up to date thanks to Boy Scout Troop 3034! Thank you, scouts! They contain emergency blankets, ponchos, headlamps, gloves, a whistle, pen/paper, candy, jerky, fruit snacks, first aid kit. Principal Candler is trying to get more information on updating 72 hour kits, which are in the playground shed.
 - v. Review upcoming events -- fundraiser is a success. UEA no school Oct. 19, 20 and 23. Teachers will be here Oct. 23 for writing professional development. Halloween Carnival is Oct. 27 at 5:30 p.m. Book fair is starting Oct. 30 and runs to Nov. 3. SEP are Nov. 1 and 2 with early dismissals on those days. PTA is Nov. 3. Nov. 10 is Veterans Day program by sixth grade at 9 and 11 a.m. Nov. 15 town meeting for Grandy, Coleman

and Wiscomb. Next SCC is Nov. 16. Breakfast with district superintendent is Nov. 15 at Wasatch 7:30 to 9 a.m.

e. District Items

a. Safe Technology and Digital Citizenship Requirements

1. Review Requirements

2. Review SLCS D report -- The district uses an Internet Filter that is between the internet and District network. Certain sites are in Safe Search mode. LanSchool is used in some schools to monitor student screens during labs. Students and parents and employees are asked to report if inappropriate content can be accessed and has been accessed despite filter. Principal receives weekly report of internet activity/use.

3. Review/Update Wasatch Plan -- Details what devices are used, applications and supervision. Students are taught to “put their screen down” if finding inappropriate information. Staff must report violations. Violations reported to parents. Principal Candler says biggest threats for school are smart watches going off in classes, personal phones (which should be put away during school day). Candler asks that if students have smart watches, parents should not call during day. Every year she has to intervene because of social media problems. The school generally requires that devices should be turned off and secured in lockers during day. Tracie Sexton makes a motion to approve the 2017-18 Wasatch Safe Technology and Digital Citizenship Report. Heather Armstrong seconds. Unanimously approved. Updated version to be posted to the Wasatch website.

5. Principal report – Deborah Candler

a. Review school budget-- no change to report from last month. School has low ESL population -- less than 10 percent. Schools with larger percentage must have 45 minutes a day of ELD instruction. At Wasatch a licensed teacher does it for kids about 15 hours a week. Money comes out of Title III funds (immigrant funding). District is now saying that’s misappropriation of funding so she is asking district how it can help solve problem to make up funding.

b. School Grade -- If 65 percent or more of schools in Utah make A or B, the state increases growth goal by 5 percentage points. School went down to B because growth goal went up. Between last year and this year, minority percentage and enrollment changed only slightly. School performance previous year -- 432 out of 600 -- this year 426. State avg was 336. So Principal is NOT alarmed because numbers were so close. This information is from the PACE report online.

c. Parent Training for Child Abuse Prevention -- information will be sent out so parents can do free online training, which will be put in November newsletter.

d. Net Smart Assembly: Scheduled for November

6. Review Action Items

a. Update website (LAND Trust Fund Report and 2017-18 Digital Citizenship requirement)

b. Fall School Community Council Training (Nov 1st; Farmington Junior High, Farmington/Nov 7th; Ecker Middle School, Park City/ Nov 9th, Mount Jordan Middle School, Sandy. 6:00-8:00 PM)

Next meeting: November 16th at 3:15 PM Wasatch Library

- Technology/Digital Citizenship – completed
- SCC projects – ongoing (SAFE Neighborhoods, Informal Parent Breakfasts)