

MINUTES

Oak Hills Elementary School-Community Council October 2017

Date | time 10/12/17 | 6:00PM *Meeting called to order by* Council Members

In Attendance

Terry Miller, Principal Keller, Rebecca Gallacher, Victoria Stats, Michelle Porter, Matt Bird, Martha Anderson, Marv Cassler, Ben Pykles, Shellie Nielson, Shelli Arthur

Approval of Minutes

September minutes were emailed in the previous month and were ratified.

Agenda Topics:

1. Welcome and VP

New Community Council Members, Michelle Porter and Abbie Kyhl, were welcomed to the meeting. Michelle Porter was in attendance. Victoria Stats was voted VP of the CC Council.

2. Wasatch Card Fundraising

This fundraiser augmented funds for technology that were not collected during the Fun Run. It will run until mid-October. Additional funds raised will go to help purchase another technology cart and computers.

3. Changes from SEPs to ILPs

SEPs will now be called ILPs (Individual Learning Plans). Students will only have early out on Wednesday-Friday, November 8-10. Students will run the appointment and do rotations between stations. Each appointment will only be 15 minutes each, with 20 minutes per appointment. The district is changing how these are done, partly because parents have complained about having their children on an early out schedule for an entire week.

4. Blended Learning Needs

The superintendent visited Oak Hills in the previous month and has picked our school to become a model school for blended learning. A very general description of blended learning is as follows: Blended learning is a student-centered approach to creating a learning experience whereby the learner interacts with other students, with the instructor, and with content through thoughtful integration of online and face-to-face environments.

For the most optimized blended learning environment, schools need a 1 to 1 technology ratio for their students. This means each student has access to their own technology device like a laptop, computer, or iPad. Oak Hills is far from this ratio. However, a more realistic goal would be for each grade to have a cart of 30 or more laptops or iPads that could be shared between the teachers in each grade. Each technology cart costs approximately \$1500 and the devices are between \$500 and \$300 apiece. It is hope that our current fundraising

efforts can go towards purchasing one such card to be shared between 3rd and 5th grades, because the 3rd grade isn't getting enough time practicing typing. They now must type an essay on their end of level tests. The Wasatch Card Fundraising donations will go to help purchase the cart and devices.

5. Trustland Funds

We have extra money left over from the Trustland Funds Budget of last year, \$11000. Teachers didn't use substitutes that were funded last year for training and planning. The leftover money will be used to go towards technology needs at the school.

Other-Updates

- Reading Groups have started for the year.
- The Leader in Me Program is having great success and is in full swing.
- Christmas Choir is meeting on Tuesdays and Thursday mornings.
- Student Council is doing lots of fun activities to help our school.
- Please check the weekly Eaglegram for parent communication, goes out on Fridays.

Next Meeting: We are moving next month's meeting to: *Thursday, November 16 due early out on November 9.*