## Community Council - Monday, October 1, 2018 - 4:00pm

In attendance - Jody Schaap, Grant Hall, Jeff Keck, Sarah Johnson, Cheryce Whitesides, Miranda Rasband, Rosa Chamness, Rebecca Pierpont, Brooke Woodall, Hillarie Millsaps, Elise McKellar, Laurie Coleman, Nikki Killpack

- \* Nikki Killpack Welcome
- \* Review of Current Year Budget
  - \* Spent \$107K on computers since Spring. Hoping to get more funding in the Spring of 2019 from "Refresh" to get to 1 to 1 Ratio.
  - \* Spent over budget on TA's last year. Trying to keep a close eye on TA spending this year.
- \* Nikki asked who helps with IEP's. Do TA's help? Kids with IEP's work with a specialist. TA's help with kids w/out IEP's.
- \* Discussed Proposition 1 about the Fuel Tax. Not sure if it will pass, but could affect school budgets if it passes.
- \* What are we doing well at Sand Springs?
  - \* STEM Day a hug success! Kids loved it.
    - Lots of kids were here since all tracks were here, but ran smoothly.
    - Lunch would need to be reconfigured if we do it again another time.
    - Emotional day for younger kids, especially those just coming back on track.
  - \* Mindfulness Program doing well.
    - Mrs. Caldwell got a message from a mom who appreciates it.
    - Sarah Johnson sees a difference in class when they practice it.
  - \* Email newsletter is a great connection between home and school.
    - Should we do a paper version? No.
  - \* No Fundraiser-fundraiser is great!
  - \* Recruits great teachers!
  - \* Good camaraderie between the teachers
    - Jody likes to mix things up at faculty meetings to get teachers from all grade levels to get to know each other better.
  - \* School is clean and well taken care of!
  - \* Security measures are great! They are getting stricter.
- \* Had a discussion about the new safety measures and new measures that will begin to be enforced.
  - \* Eventually making it so you have to get buzzed in.
    - May be hard in the afternoon when only Annette is here.
  - \* Are background checks required for volunteers? Not yet.
  - \* Should we have an adult outside after school to supervise children?
    - Make sure kids are safe and watch for fights
    - Have some sort of teacher presence outside?
  - \* Do we have a safety patrol program for the 5th and 6th graders to participate in? No.
    - Student council did something similar last year with the student council, but kids forgot to come.
    - Commitment level is minimal. Would need commitment by parents and students to participate.
    - Teach student body to recognize safety patrol members so they can ask for

help if needed.

- \* Parents have a responsibility to teach kids to be safe as well.
- \* Is the school doing everything they can to help protect the student after school?
- \* Watch Snowhorse Elementary's video on their website about how they do drop-off and pick-up
- \* Can we hire someone to be outside and present everyday after school?
- \* Can we use PTA volunteers to be outside for safety presence?
- \* Want kids here before the bells so that there are no issues with kids coming in late and doors being locked.
- \* What Improvements Can Sand Springs Make?
  - \* Why is Spanish Immersion only on an A & C track rotation?
    - Tradition
    - C track "undesirable" and A track "desirable." Allows them to trade-off.
  - \* Parent asked why are we using styrofoam lunch plates?
    - We're not, they are pressed paper.
    - District choice.
  - \* If you have any other concerns, bring it up in the email.
- \* Discussed which council members live in which neighborhood boundaries.
- \* Nikki went over the minutes from the last meeting.
  - \* Work on pushing for a crossing guard @ 3200 West and Gentile.
    - Call Penny at Layton City Police. She's over crossing guards.
- \* Nikki motioned to close the meeting. Elise seconded it.
- \* Meeting adjourned at 5:04pm.