

Sand Springs Community Council

Nov. 7, 2016

MINUTES

Those present: Jody Schaap, Melanie Smith, Nancy Watkins, Cheryl Christensen, John Speth, Kerri Kingston, Sarah Johnson, Annalisa Glenn, Julie LaRocco, Miranda Rasband

Absent: Jenny Adams (excused), RaeAnn Shelley?

Previous Minutes were approved (motioned to approve by Kerri Kingston and Seconded by Sarah Johnson.)

SAGE Scores discussion:

Sand Springs Elementary Received an "A" grade. We received 413/600 points (69%) for the 2015-16 year.

The snapshot report card is here at the USOE website:

<http://schools.utah.gov/assessment/Accountability.aspx>

Our combined scores for K-3 is 71% at typical or higher scores for DIBBLES composite scores. It was suggested that we invite Logan Toone, our district specialist, to our January meeting to further analyze and break down % in multiple areas.

SIP Trust Lands budget update:

We have spent \$19,497.70 of the \$93,474.22 available for the year. Final enrollment numbers were given on Oct. 1, enabling us to know exactly how much Trust Lands money we have available.

It was discussed that math aids have been very helpful. Teachers are meeting one time a month (local case management) to evaluate which kids need extra help with math aids. These students are then pulled out for extra help. Until January, math aids will only be used during school hours. More aids may be acquired after January. The jobs will be posted through the district.

Question brought up of ability grouping to expand the learning of higher kids, but Jody shared that studies show that kids do better learning from each other and that there is not a lot of progress if kept in same groups all year.

CC will get updates each month on progress.

Other:

Discussed morning kindergarten pick up. Jody will draft a procedure to clarify and then will ask PTA for help with volunteers to implement.

Also, we'd like to see a school choir happen. The new music teacher, Becca Gordon, agrees and there are a few teachers who would like to help. Maybe not until next year...

Finally, we discussed having different groups join with the GAP Art Night in the spring. i.e. Orchestra, recorders, choir (each grade perform 2-3 numbers), ballroom. Will work with PTA

ASSIGNMENT: Each Community Council member will bring concerns/goals to be considered for this year.

Nancy Watkins motioned to adjourn and Melanie Smith seconded it.

Adjourned until **January 9, 2017** at 4:00 in the library.