

Mueller Park Community Council Meeting
May 20, 2019
6:45 – 7:45 A.M.
Minutes

Welcome by Rob Hunter

Attendance: Deanne Kapetanov, Kellie Mudrow, Tina Gregoire, Rob Hunter, John Tobin, Kareen Patterson, Machel Filion, Claire Cassity, Lisa Gibson, Osmond Seangsuwan, Kellianne Holt and Michelle Nylander.

Excused: Steve Theobald, Natalie Rogers

Approval of April minutes: A motion for approval was made by Rob Hunter. It was seconded by John Tobin and approved by all (Deanne Kapetanov, Kelli Mudrow, Tina Gregoire, Kareen Patterson, Machel Filion, Claire Cassity, Lisa Gibson, Osmond Seangsuwan, Kellianne Holt and Michelle Nylander).

Counseling Report: Claire Cassity reported that the counselors have had a great year working with wonderful MPJH students. They are busy encouraging students to the end of the school year. The counselors next year will be Jill Hedberg, Sunny Ford and Hailey Hamblin. Claire Cassity will be moving to Mountain High School as an Administrative Intern.

Future Principal Update: Mrs. Mudrow said that she's enjoyed meeting with teachers. The TSSP plan needed to be written so she's been working with Mrs. Kapetanov on the school needs. She's said that she finished planning for the TSSP with the following: sharing a Spanish teacher with Woods Cross High School, productivity for an instructional coach, paying teachers for summer conferences, extra staffing day before the beginning of the school year for technology training, teacher productivity, and adding additional time of the incoming counselor. She said that the goal of the money was to support teachers and to pay them for learning that they do over the summer. Rob Hunter said that the Council has talked about having a school wide student learning goal of computer literacy skills. Mrs. Mudrow said that this goal could easily be worked into the technology training day for teachers.

Michelle Nylander said that she has helped in elementary schools to support teachers for years and feels that there are many parents who may be ready and willing to volunteer at MPJH. Osmond Seangsuwan recommended that an orientation be held at the beginning of the year for parents to learn how they can volunteer. Mrs. Kapetanov said that volunteers must be trained on the District Volunteer Policy before volunteering in classrooms.

Parents helping in classrooms: Rob Hunter said that he has been invited to help in a few classrooms and has been amazed by the expertise of the teachers. John Tobin said that many parents involved in PTO participate and help at the school. He would like to see more parents

(PTO members) volunteer inside classrooms. Mrs. Kapetanov said that it's a great idea and could be very helpful. The organization of volunteers could be a very large job and would have to be well organized. She recommended that the school use a Sign Up Genius app where teachers could request days and times and then parents could sign up to help. She recommends having a vehicle that can be used to help teachers and to bring parents into the classroom. Mrs. Gibson said that she would appreciate having parents sign up to help her supervise students during tests, by helping students, and handing out papers. The Council discussed how parent volunteers could be very helpful during Panther Time.

Dress Code: Rob Hunter pointed out District suggested guidelines for school dress codes. The District says that they recommend having school, parents and students collaborate in encouraging students to come to school dressed appropriately. Rob Hunter said that the administration deals with dress code issues, which takes times away from their duties and student learning. Mrs. Kapetanov said that about 95% of the students come dressed appropriately. The administration talks to students in between classes in the halls when they are in violation of the dress code. Mr. Poff (out of town) said in a previous meeting that students' dress definitely effects behavior. Mrs. Kapetanov said that she discussed the dress code in JSSC last week and they made some suggestions for updating the dress code. Ms. Filion said that she received comments from Mr. Poff and Mr. Haws who feel strongly about how dress effects the way we treat ourselves and others. Mrs. Mudrow said that on a previous visit to the school she witnessed a student being asked to go to the office with a hole high enough on her pants that it in violation of the dress code. The Administration handled it quickly and easily and the student soon got to class. She agrees that if there is a rule it needs to be enforced. John Tobin said that he looked for research to show that dress code makes a difference in behavior. Mrs. Mudrow said she believes that if students are valued for their intellect and their positive contributions that we can create an environment of safety at the school. Kellianne Holt said that she asked her daughter about the school dress code. She said that she liked it and appreciated that she can feel comfortable at school because of how people are dressed. There was a question about possibly offending someone due to religious purposes in their dress. Mrs. Mudrow said that she has reached out to students and parents previously when there may be questions. Mrs. Mudrow believes that with reasonable expectations, students can feel safe and have a positive learning environment at school.

Student Drop Off Safety: Michelle Nylander said that she requested having student drop off safety on the agenda. Kellianne Holt reported that parents may not be using the North drop off because of traffic on 1800 south and Davis Boulevard. Student drop off can be made at the north side of the school or at the bottom parking lot in the front of the school. The lower lot is not as safe as the north lot. The top part of the parking lot in the front is zoned for buses only from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.

PTO update: Tina Gregoire reported that they are still in need of volunteers for Panthers Succeed Celebration on Wednesday, May 22.

Current year LAND Trust appropriations update: Mrs. Kapetanov reported that LAND Trust monies for 2018-2019 have been spent as outlined in the School Improvement Plan.

Thank you to all on the committee, Mrs. Kapetanov, teachers, parents, Rob Hunter (Chairperson). It is recommended for next year that Michelle Nylander serve as the chair of Community Council. Michelle Nylander will oversee the elections in the fall.

Upcoming Community Council Trainings:

- **October 29, Tuesday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.**
Utah State Board of Education
In-Person and Online
250 East 500 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

- **November 7, Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.**
Centennial Junior High School
Davis District Host
740 South Sunset Drive
Kaysville, Utah 84037

Adjourn the meeting: Kellianne Holt motioned for the adjournment of the meeting. Michelle Nylander seconded the motion. It was approved by all (Tina Gregoire, Rob Hunter, John Tobin, Kareen Patterson, Machel Filion, Deanne Kapetanov, Claire Cassity, Lisa Gibson, and Osmond Seangsuwan).

Next meeting will be August 26, 2019