

## **Bountiful Elementary Community Council September 12, 2019**

In attendance: Kristen McDonough (Principal), Shelley Truelson (Vice Principal), Liz Wiser (Teacher), Cami Crow (Teacher), Rebecca Cushing (Chair), Brad Morris (Vice Chair), Andrea Hebdon (Secretary), Elena King (parent/SEM teacher)

Excused: Adam Long

1. Review and approve May minutes
  - a. May minutes were approved
  
2. Review School Improvement Plan
  - a. Reading intervention program- iReady.
    - i. Some students using iReady while others spend time in small intervention groups.
  - b. Training just completed for the inifiD lab.
  - c. HOPE squad is waiting to nominate members to give Washington and Bountiful kids an opportunity to get to know each other before voting.
    - i. Kids will receive a lesson on HOPE squad and how to include kids and create games to include others at recess.
  - d. NEARPOD software has been purchased. Still need to implement training for teachers. Overall, very positive feedback.
  - e. Behavior plan was reviewed
    - i. Principal and teachers have defined expectations for each area/room of the school and posted them on large posters throughout the school. They also presented a video to students portraying clear expectations of behavior, and will review videos throughout the year. Student council will help with video recordings as well.
    - ii. Challenges each week are issued to help the students to recognize and express appreciation for staff members. Good behaviors are rewarded using positive reinforcement by way of parties, treats, extra recess, etc.
    - iii. Positive based model- 85% respond very well, 15% take a little longer. School counselor is tracking certain kids' behavior using trackers to keep kids accountable for their behavior throughout the day by checking in with them before and after school.
    - iv. Teachers and staff read the book "Unselfie" by Michele Borba over the summer. Teachers received a \$100 stipend to read and respond to discussion topics.
    - v. CARE cards are now given by students, so there is peer to peer recognition for kind behavior.

- vi. Student of the month will be selected by teachers and will get to have lunch with Kristin and Shelley.
3. Accreditation through AdvanceED
- a. Those in attendance viewed accreditation video.
  - b. This is Bountiful Elementary's second round of obtaining accreditation. Accreditation is done every 5 years. On October 7, parents on community council will meet with the district and give feedback about schools. Accreditation is based on qualities of leadership, learning, and resources.
4. Budget Review
- a. \$20,000-Purchased new electronic devices and equipment (i.e. iPads), and those will arrive from district soon. Still not where we would like to be with technology, but everyone is working hard to get us there soon. Received an addition \$6,000 grant for technology.
  - b. \$150-Intervention training will be done September 23 with Muir.
  - c. \$3,500 for NEARPODS.
5. Nomination
- a. Brad Morris nominated and approved for Vice-Chair.

Meeting adjourned.

**The next Community Council meeting will be held Thursday, October 10 at 7:45 am in the school library.**