

## Ensign School Community Council - MINUTES

October 15, 2019, 7:30 am – 8:35 am

In attendance:

### Staff

Erik Jacobson (principal), Dani Phifer, Polly Parkinson, Jennifer Panameno (SIC representative), Katherine Kennedy (school board representative)

### Parent Members

Brianne Emery (Chair), Ashley Anderson (Vice Chair), Linda Scholl, Melissa Riley, Chantelle Rohlfing, Brittany Dimick, Sarah Colonna, Carl Whittaker, Amy Fehlberg (PTA representative)

### Absent

Dianne Boogart, Lacey Skippis

### Guest

Emily Neuman (parent)

### **SIC REPORT** (Mrs. Panameno)

- Approved a change in their written agreement that if a substitute is a no-show, another teacher will take the class and be paid for it. If that is not possible, they front office will provide coverage.
- A work order has been submitted to repair a mud hole on the playground.
- Plan was made to maintain the new computer lab.

### **PTA REPORT** (Amy Fehlberg)

- Fall fundraiser raised about \$13,000. Was below goal but still good.
- Pumpkin Parade will happen on Halloween.
- Organizing a Veteran's Day essay contest (participation is optional)
- STEAM Fair
  - o K-3 grade: art project
  - o 4-6 grade: science project
  - o A series of five workshops will begin the first Friday in November for students needing assistance
  - o STEAM Night: January 14<sup>th</sup>
  - o STEAM Fair: January 15<sup>th</sup>
    - Will need judges
- Books and Boots service campaign will end November 1.

### **TRAIL REPORT** (Emily Neuman)

- Emily is organizing and leading the effort to make improvements to the trail that is on City property between 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue and the school. Trail is eroded and unsafe in parts.
- 10 families have offered to help with labor and repairs
- Representative (Lewis Kogan) from SLC has met with the school and will help with plans, signage, and materials.
- Mr. Jacobson will be the point of contact with the City.

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- Students need trail etiquette training
- There is desire to utilize the trail and surrounding natural area in science education
  - o City Program
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> graders
  - o Science with Engineering Education (SEEd) Standards could be possible be met
- Email Chris Wharton (City Councilman) to provide update and thank Lewis Kogan for his help.
- Also need to incorporate planning for x-walk and safety on 13<sup>th</sup> Ave (SNAP)
  - o Coordinate with Laura Cushman (PTA President)

### **BUSINESS ITEMS**

- LANDTrust Training (Ashley Anderson)
  - o Video or in-person is available, Brianne to send out link to video
- Review and approve LANDTrust goals (Erik Jacobson)
  - o Sarah Colonna moved to approve, all were in favor, motion approved.
- Discussion on the importance of literacy and why it is the goal versus science or math
  - o DIBELS is easy to measure and track
    - No good metrics for math or science
  - o Strong readers do better in math/science, have better mental health
  - o Question if additional TSSP money next year could be used for a science/math goal
    - Will be discussed further when determining next year's goals
  - o SCC needs to better communicate WHY we come up with certain goals and how focusing on literacy improves students across the board.
- Review and approve TSSP goals (Erik Jacobson)
  - o Ashley Anderson moved to approve, all were in favor, motion approved.
- Review and adopt Operating Procedures and Guiding Principles (Brianne Emery)
  - o Sarah Colonna moved to approve, all were in favor, motion approved.
  - o Documents will be posted to the school website
- Review and adopt school website information (Brianne Emery)
  - o Website is up-to-date with required information
  - o New materials to be created and added: simplified document explaining SCC goal creation and usage of funds
  - o Sarah Colonna moved to approve, all were in favor, motion approved.
- 2019-2020 Priorities
  - o Improve SCC communication
  - o Traffic
  - o Parapro pay
  - o After care
  - o Science
    - Trail
    - SEEd

### **ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION ITEMS**

- December 5<sup>th</sup>: Prospective Student open house (5:30-6:15pm) and C&A information session (6:15-7:00)
  - o There will be another in January
  - o Open enrollment is December 1 – February 15

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- Traffic/Drop-off
  - o Need more volunteers
  - o Volunteers need to be better educated about their duties
  - o Brainstorm
    - Teachers educate kids about safe drop-off procedures
    - Incentivize volunteering and/or safe crossing students
    - Room parents send email to recruit volunteers and attach procedures
    - “Brigade” of multiple volunteers to line drop off zone and remind cars to move forward (once a month?)
    - More signage
- Items requested for November meeting
  - o SNAP
    - Trails, walkability
    - Traffic
  - o Board report/enrollment update

Adjourn 8:35am

Next meeting:

November 19, 2019 7:30am, Ensign School Library