

Dec. 2, 2019 School Community Council notes by Joseph R. Nielsen

Present: Merrie Hughes, Ashlee Moncur, Kristie Christensen, Lizzie Jolley, Deb Gordon, Danelle Montero, Andy Montero, Stacy Perkins, Dawnell Moon, Beth Hartung-Soria, Joseph Nielsen, Sam Bennett (SLCSD Board), Kristi Swett (SLCSD Board), Lisa Jones (School counselor & Presenter), Lindsey Schou (parent)

Excused: Marian Broadhead, Jessica Hintze

Approval of the minutes from November 4, 2019: motion made (Andy), seconded (Joseph) and passed.

Approval of the agenda: motion made (Joseph), seconded (Ashlee) and passed.

Chairperson's report – Merrie: She gave us a handout about the City's efforts to set up a disaster plan. The city is looking at using the school building (not the staff or people in the school) as location hubs for the purposes of disseminating information and a place of gathering in the case of an emergency. Each school has a Just-In-Time (JIT) kit to facilitate the city people in this effort. The City would like to find two people to serve as ambassadors to serve as go-betweens for the school and the City. Ashlee and Kristie suggested that CERT trained people would be ideal candidates for this role. Merrie was asked to bring this to SCC to make us aware of what is happening. For more information please check out [www.safeslc.com](http://www.safeslc.com).

Merrie also had received notice from Sugarhouse Community Council about funds that have been allocated for traffic control on 6<sup>th</sup> East. We have seen that there is a general allocation of funds, but no specifics.

Principal's report – Joseph representing Marian: We looked at a letter from the District regarding their research into Late Start for high schools, Sam said that the impact on us would likely be minimal (moving our start time from 8:10am - 8:00am). There were some questions about how this would affect athletic competitions.

Marian also let us know that the flyer with Digital Citizenship information has gone home to parents. Our instruction to students this year is being done on a class level.

Guest presenter – Lisa Jones, Hawthorne Counselor – Social and Emotional learning: We have purchased a curriculum called 2<sup>nd</sup> Steps which is being implemented by teachers on a classroom level. Lisa is also going into the classrooms on a regular basis to teach students about various facets of Social and Emotional Wellness. She was asked why some classes have not been teaching it as much as others. Beth talked about some of the issues that teachers confront in implementing the program. The biggest reason is teachers having too much to cover in a day and not enough time. The program kits are also expensive, and classes have to share materials across grade levels. Teachers also are having to learn the program themselves, so they are dealing with their own learning curve. But there are significant success stories showing that the program is making a difference.

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C&A – Kristie C.: She has had some success in finding people who are interested in helping with traffic control. ELP and neighborhood had been looking for more information about what is being asked. So, we need to have a more specifics. Danelle Montero has volunteered to put together a more specific plan and send it to Marian and then to the rest of us. Kristi Swett informed us that she has found out in other school experiences that nobody can hold a sign or direct traffic on city streets, but we have a little more leeway in the parking lot. District Facilities personnel can put up signs about idle-free zones, but official traffic control signs have to come from the city.

ELP - Lizzie: Starting next year the rules for Science Fair have changed, only 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Graders can move on the District Level. The early Progress testing for students in the Spanish program is coming up.

Neighborhood – Stacy proposed that Lindsey Schou be a Neighborhood representative (we had decided we needed one more representative to balance out the program representation), The motion was seconded (Kristie) and passed.

PTA – Ashlee: The Girls on the Run Program, March 2<sup>nd</sup> – May 30<sup>th</sup>, for girls in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Beth will be the coach, with other staff and parents as assistants. Training will be twice a week after school. For more information please contact Ashlee.

Staff – Beth: Hawthorne Faculty has decided to change the format of our winter celebration. We are still working out the details.

Other – Sam asked how the music program was working here at Hawthorne, Beth replied that from her perspective it was working well.

Kristi asked that council members who have time, attend the Board meeting tomorrow to hear about the Early Start and Tax Reform. The Board is hoping that the Legislature will take more time to study the situation and not try to pass it through a Special Session.

Motion to adjourn made (Danelle), Seconded (Ashlee) and passed.