

School Community Council (SCC)

@Mary W. Jackson

September 12, 2018

Meeting Minutes

The SCC meeting began at 7:30am in the library of Mary W. Jackson. Individuals present at this meeting were:

Dr. Jana Edward, Principal

Nathaniel Eschler, SCC Vice Chair

Alicia De Leon, Family School Collaboration Specialist

Steven Gibbons, parent and SCC board member

Rachel Paez, parent and SCC board member

Kira Waters, parent and SCC board member

Mother, unidentified name

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Ed Muñoz, parent/community member

SCC Scheduling

Meeting began by discussing a change in dates to hold SCC meetings for the 2018-19 school year. SCC meetings are held on the 2nd Wednesday of every month and Dr. Edward asked if SCC meetings can be moved to the 3rd Wednesday of every month due to scheduling conflicts. A motion from Nathaniel Eschler was made in agreement to hold elections at the next SCC board meeting in October and Rachel Paez in addition to Steve Gibbons second the motion. All SCC board members and participating parent/community members agreed to move SCC meetings from now on (i.e. Oct. 2018 – May 2019). Next month's SCC meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at 7:30am in the library.

Dinosaur National Monument Field Trip

Dr. Edward notified the SCC board that 5th grade classrooms received a grant to participate in a three-day educational camping trip to the Dinosaur National Monument located in Jensen, UT. One of the fifth grade teachers, Ms. Findling, presented to the SCC board details about the trip regarding the purpose, activities, and any other questions that SCC may have. The SCC board supported the decision for the school to accept such participation for fifth grade classrooms.

Change in SCC Chairs

Dr. Edward notified the board that Dr. Neal Petwari, SCC Chair of 2017-18 stepped down from the board due to leaving the state of Utah for work related opportunities. Therefore, Nathaniel Eschler will no longer be the SCC vice chair and will step in as the new SCC Chair.

Fall elections will be held in October to grow the SCC board that currently is represented by four parent members. Currently, there are a total of nine parent/voting members on the records but only four parent/voting members are currently active or participating on the board. There have been three formal resignations from parent/voting members by Betsy Allred, Flor Olivo, and Neal Petwari. The SCC board are working on sending out SCC pamphlets and flyers to inform our parents/families about the role of SCC and the available roles to fill within the board. The board needs to fill the following roles: voting members, vice chair, and secretary.

Two parents/guardians present ask and requested if an interpreter can be present at SCC meetings to provide translations in Arabic.

A parent asked who is responsible in submitting the agenda/meeting minutes online to the school website. Dr. Edward is responsible for having the agenda and translated meeting minutes posted to the school website.

Vice Chair Reports

Nathaniel encouraged the participation of the SCC board to attend a Fall shared governance training that will be implemented in the next SCC meeting, Oct. 17. Dr. Edward explained that the shared governance training will inform the board about who manages the Land Trust Money. Dr. Edward will be sending the report(s) of Land Trust Monies of last year in advance for the SCC board to view before Oct. 17. Nathaniel also reported about attending a presentation at the district that explained the function and purpose of school community councils. Nathaniel highlighted the importance of digital citizenship and asked if it is a discussion held within the schools. Dr. Edward recommended for SCC participants do the training and she also emphasized that Apple has a great program on internet security for kids.

Nathaniel requested information about SCC chair responsibilities and suggested a yearly timeline of topics for the year. Dr. Edward clarified that the yearly SCC calendar of monthly activities or themes at the district and state level is posted on the district's website.

Dr. Edward commented on sending a video out to SCC board members about how public funds are used within our schools.

Nathaniel requested that student centered spending needs to be specific in yearly reports. He said that program distribution of monies to schools is an average spending of \$113 per student, which translates into \$2 per student for incentives.

A participating parent, Ed Munoz, asked if Land Trust Money can be used to fund extracurricular activities. Dr. Edward clarified that Land Trust Money can be used to support student's academic enrichment and not to supplant existing educational services.

The new SCC chair, Nathaniel Eschler, made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Ed Munoz second along with other voting members present (i.e. Steve, Kira).