

SCC MINUTES
September 12, 2019

Attending: Dan Aragon, Angela Solum, Medra Parrott, Dimitrius Cage, Liz Ivkovich, Isabel Gonzalez

I. Connection

II. Overview of responsibilities

We discussed the responsibilities of the SCC, the primary of which is to monitor the spending of the Land Trust Funds and act as the primary advocate for all children. The SCC also functions a place for parents to share concerns and discuss issues in the school. Liz and Dan shared some of the takeaways from the recent SCC Chairs and Principals meeting that was district-wide, one of which was SCC responsibility to stay in touch with student success data.

III. Review last year's fiscal expenditures and effectiveness of expenditures.

The Land Trust funds were used for one coach for the Playworks structured recess program and one half of the salary of a third grade teacher. Dan and Angela had prepared some comparative reports on test scores. We learned that last year, a markedly higher percentage of our students started out at or above benchmark levels than previous years and continued to show improvement over the year. We were all happy to hear about that and discussed some challenges with testing last year, and how the school grades are determined.

IV. Lab class and 90 day plan

This year, Riley is again working with the Utah Education Policy Center for professional development and educator support. Riley is pioneering a new model where suggested changes to teaching methods are implemented in a lab style in the classroom, with everyone in the school working together to try new teaching methods and observe and give feedback to each other. It's been very successful. The 90 day plan focuses on providing language supports for all of our students (especially the ones learning English) and improved writing scores.

V. Update on Adult ESL classes, traffic flow, and district calendar, Family Night/SCC calendar, dress code, fundraiser, student leadership committee

Our main topic of discussion here was the district calendar. We voted in regards to which calendar we would prefer for the future academic years. After a good discussion among the group, we decided to support the calendar that starts later in August, has one day of spring break, and gets out before Memorial Day. We also followed up on some suggestions to have ESL classes here and noted that there are great ESL classes just up the road at the Glendale CLC and the Sorenson Multicultural Center. There was a suggestion to think about directing traffic flow around the bus route. We learned about the new student leadership committee which is a way to include student voices in school decisions.

VI. Election Notice

We will hold elections in our next meeting. All were encouraged to bring other parents to join the SCC.

VII. Feedback about topics to address in future meetings
Future topics will include safety, digital citizenship, sports activities and programs, and TSSP.

VIII. Questions, concerns, etc.
There were no additional questions or concerns.