SCC Meeting – January 9, 2021

Attendees –

- Maggie Cummings,
- Jacqie Spell
- Vanessa Sanchez-Garcia
- Melanie
- Gor
- Trina
- Tal
- Joe zwan
- Nin aranda
- Caferina Aranda
- Maritza McKee (interpreter)
- Gustavo
- Gloria
- Mei-mei
- Astro Medrano
- Guadalupe Velazgues
- Maria Velazques
- Josephina Alonso (She and Maria were together on the same screen)
- “Iphone” (no other id)
- Kaiisha Lee
- Esther Tial
- Bawiceu
- Jisa Robinson
- Riego Castillo
- Doree Burt
- Jen Woznick
- Becky Bissegger
- Angel
- Angelica Reyes
- John Arthur
- Cynthia Smith
- Lavinia Olive
- Jazmin Dianni
- Maria Velazquez
- Sofia Garay
- Patricia Garay
- Kelly Dick
- Astro Medrano
- Bawi Ceu
- Marisol
- Nina Aranda
- Lupe Aime
At one point in the meeting there were 84 total individual screens.
This is an emergency SCC meeting

- We will go over the district’s plan, Meadowlarks alternative plan and we will have some time for comments and questions. We will then vote.
- Maggie C. Shared her screen and displayed a power point with information on the Salt Lake City School Districts plan to re-open school and Meadowlarks alternative plan.

Information

- This last week the Salt Lake City School District decided that Secondary Schools would not re-open until the COVID-19 Vaccine became available for teachers and staff.
- Data on the most current positivity rate (last 30 days) for 84116, Meadowlarks zip code. 84116 continues to have almost more than half of the positivity rate in comparison to the East side schools in the Salt Lake City School District.
- Maggie shared that she has been informed that the vaccine will become available for teachers starting 01/14 and this process can take up to 6-8 weeks which could lead us into the month of March before all teachers and staff receive the vaccine.
- 46% of Meadowlark students are currently receiving in person instruction at one moment or another during the week.

Feedback, comments, questions:

- Jazmin O. – If Kindergartners would be the first students to return to the building would that mean that Kindergarten teachers would receive the vaccine first? Maggie did answer the question, the districts plan to distribute the vaccine is based off age. Oldest members SLCSD will be first.
- Mei Mei- How many hours in person will each grade attend? Answer – there are 3 factors that are being used to determine how long students will be able to attend school. All factors are in place to assure that we can continue to follow protocols to ensure the safety of everyone.
- Maggie – We are asking that we wait until teachers are able to get the vaccine before children return to school. We want to be able to have teachers make the choice just like parents have the choice. We would like to get accommodate to everyone’s needs.
- With the vaccine, we anticipate that Meadowlark will be able to be fulltime early to mid-March.
- Jaciqe wanted to remind everyone that they will present Meadowlarks alternative plan on Monday and they have to wait and see if it will be approved. Parents should not make any modifications based on the alternative proposal until they are notified by admin if the plan was approved.
- There will still be a remote learning option for anyone that wants it.

Teacher comments

- Jeanie Yeske – I want to clarify and make sure parents are aware that if students are coming for in person instruction the students would have to be at school and be ready for instruction at 12:30 and would be leaving at 2:15. Parents need to be aware and take that into consideration.
- Becky – I would like to thank and acknowledge all the support that parents are giving teachers and students. This is a difficult time for everyone, and Meadowlark staff appreciates the support that they get from parents.
Feedback, comments, questions

- Maggie – I know how difficult this school year has been for everyone and we have tried to be able to accommodate the needs of every single one of our students. I am very thankful for everyone that attends the meetings and is here to support us.
- Sofia Garay – Parent - Inquired about this meeting being posted on Meadowlarks webpage. Kelly Dick will work with VP Jacqie to see if it a possibility to post the video.
- Jazmin Ortiz – Parent. – What will happen if there are more then 10 students that would like to attend in person instruction? Will other teachers be instructing those students? Maggie answered – It is different with K students but we have been using the Multipurpose room to have students do their remote learning from there but moving forward we will have to stop using this room because we will need that area to feed students during lunch and breakfast. We are in the process of hiring and additional person to be able to supervise more students; we will attempt to find another area where students can conduct their remote learning.
- Trina B. – What will be the procedure with the students that decide to stay 100% remote? Maggie answered – We will continue to offer excellent remote learning to the students that chose that option and the student will stay with their current teacher or in some circumstances they may need to change teachers.

Vote: You are in favor with Meadowlarks alternative plan (students will not return until COVID-19 positivity rates are below 13% or the teachers have received the COVID-19 vaccine which would be completed in mid-March.)

Screen shots of a thumbs up (in favor) or thumbs down (not in favor) were taken to count all the votes.

Maggie will stay on the zoom call to answer any questions especially of those who are not in favor of us opening the school at all. I understand that there are parents who do not agree at all that we should open our school. I heard your voice our last meeting and I understand your point of view, but we need to come to some sort of agreements to offer in person instruction. I wish there was an easier way of making a decision.

Jeanie Yeske – Everyone still has an opportunity to stay on remote learning if we go back part time or full time is that correct? Maggie answered - Yes, that is correct, everyone will have a choice to continue remote learning.

Maggie understand that there are parents that are scared because of the number of cases in our area, the overflow in hospitals. People are concerned that it is not responsible for us to open schools because this may cause for the virus to spread more in our community.

Maggie and Jacqie will stay on the zoom call to answer any individual questions from parents.
Vote

- The final plan vote (on 1/9, 2021)
  o Yes = 43 (9 were faculty/staff)
- No = 10*
  o * of the 10 no votes, 4 voted no because they do not want the school to open any more than it currently is:
    ▪ Lavinia Olive
    ▪ Gaby Garcia
    ▪ Ej235165
    ▪ Kymoramarie
- Percentages:
  o With raw vote we get 81% support the plan, 19 opposed.
  o If we separate the 10 oppose to 6 wanting full return and 4 no change, we have 81% support the plan, 7.5% do not want us to open any more that we are currently open, and 11% want us to follow the district plan.

If we remove faculty vote: 34 support, 6 oppose, 4 want to remain the same or 77% support, 14% oppose, 9% to not open

Trina (SCC chair) has concluded after vote was taken.