

Salt Lake Center for Science Education 1400 W. Goodwin Avenue, SLC School Community Council

Agenda: April 14, 2021, 5:00 pm

Welcome and Introductions

Jill Drown, Meadow Wilde, Lynn Lonardo, Britnie Powell, Eileen Csontos, Christy Sapp, Alissa Kean, Christy Porucznik, Amy Jordan, Ashley Paulsen, Jim Smith

#### **Meeting Dates and Times**

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month from now on from 5:00-6:00

 May 12, 2021

**Approve March Minutes** 

Motion to approve. Seconded.

Spring Assessments and Surveys

- Jim: 10<sup>th</sup> grade completed their APSIRE assessment April 12, 13, 14. There are a few to finish up. 9<sup>th</sup> grade is scheduled for their ASPIRE assessments April 19, 20, and make ups on the 21<sup>st</sup>. 8<sup>th</sup> grade will participate in RISE testing Tuesdays. They will tackle each subject on a Tuesday.
- School Climate Survey- Jill: Climate surveys give important feedback to the school. Students will participate during their classes.
- Remote/In-person Learning Survey: Once the district provides data we'll see how many responses we have and determine whether or not we need to conduct our own.

### SLCSE Elementary Update

- The board voted to approve a SLCSE Elementary School at Bennion. The 2021-2022 school year will be spent on PD, building the model, getting everything ready, recruiting, name change, etc. Then SLCSE Elementary will launch the 2022-2023 school year. Effectiveness will be assessed after the 2023-2024 school year.
- Parent concern was voiced again regarding the location of a SLCSE Elementary being located physically on the East side even though the demographics may be compelling. They want to see good schools physically located on the West side. Parents with privilege have more resources to make it work to transport their students to the west side. It is a constant burden placed on West side families to transport students to the East side. Even when bussing is available, it often demands a lot of

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time for families. If SLCSE is able to continue expansion beyond Bennion it is imperative that they locate the school within Rose Park, Glendale, or Poplar Grove.

## Remote Learning Option 2021-2022 School Year

• We are a small school so what we are able to provide will depend on the numbers of families choosing this options. We should have more info in May.

## Board Check-in

# Updates from Admin/Upcoming Events

- Asynchronous Wednesdays- this is still in progress. I will have an update at the May meeting. Challenges- this affects 20% of instructional time and it could be difficult to get through all of the curriculum with our hands-on approach. Teachers have been committed to utilizing these days to meeting students' individual needs, but participation in them since returning to in-person learning has decreased greatly.
- Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences- These haven't been formally approved by our School Improvement Committee yet but will likely getting approved.
- Graduation- Historically it's been held at NW middle school. The graduation advisors are working with the seniors to make sure a ceremony that reflects their desires happens. NW is indoors and seating limits could be an issue. We have several students who they are the first person graduating high school, EVER, so this is a big deal and their entire family wants to come and celebrate it. Last year we did kind of a drive through graduation out front. Rather than that, or having to limit seating, our seniors are requesting we do it on the back field so that people could just be organized by family. We are working through the logistics of this, weather/temperature issues, and also making sure it still has the special feel of graduation.

### Issues of Interest

# To promote ethical behavior and civil discourse each council member shall:

- Attend council meetings on time and prepared
- Make decisions with the needs of students as the main objective
- Listen to and value diverse opinions
- Be sure the opinions of those you represent are included in discussions
- Expect accountability and be prepared to be accountable
- Act with integrity

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