



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

Agenda: May 13, 2020, 5:00 pm

#### Welcome and Introductions

Jill Drown, Niki Hack, Britnie Powell, Lynn Lonardo, Smaragda Halilovic, Michelle Tuitupou, Larry Madden, Rachel Fletcher, Dora Diana

#### Meeting Dates and Times

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

#### Approve April Minutes

Motion to approve. Seconded.

#### Introduce Newest SLCSO Board Member

Michelle Tuitupou has four children, three who are alumni of the Salt Lake City School District and one who is currently in middle school. She holds a B.S. in Broadcasting from Northern Arizona University and an M.A. in Education from the University of Phoenix. Ms. Tuitupou is a former teacher and currently works in higher education as an Academic Advisor in the University of Utah's College of Mines and Earth Sciences. She is involved locally as a member of the State of Utah Multicultural Commission and Pasifika Enrichment of the Arts in Utah, as a participant in the Westside Leadership Institute, and through numerous higher education outreach events in the community.

Ms. Tuitupou will serve in the position until the end of the current calendar year. The seat is up for election in the 2020 General Election.

#### End of Year Dates

- May 20~ Cap and Gown Distribution 11:00-1:00
- May 25~ No School, Memorial Day
- May 27~ Materials return (not laptops)- books, instruments, science equipment and Locker Pick Up
- June 1~ End of year projects
- June 2~ Talent Show
- June 3~ Laptop Return and yearbook/T-shirt pick up
- June 3~ Graduation 5:00
- June 6~ Gown return 11:00-1:00

#### Issues of Interest

- Support for students where the online system is inaccessible

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All SLCSE students have been able to either get connected to the internet through a provider or a hotspot. 69% of students are actively participating in online learning. About 30% are struggling with participating enough- variety of barriers. We have made contact with 100% of the students.

- Graduation Updates

## **SLCSE 2020 Graduation Plan**

### **June 3 5:00- Parade and Graduation Walk**

SLCSE seniors will meet at a designated location (TBD) at 4:45 and remain in vehicles. Each family is limited to one vehicle participating in the SLCSE parade. The parade is in the process of being mapped and the police department will be contacted to help facilitate the parade. SLCSE graduates can invite family not in their own vehicle to park in designated places along the parade route.

A SLCSE faculty member will lead the cars in the parade route beginning at 5:00. There will also be SLCSE teachers selected to drive their vehicle staggered throughout the parade of seniors.

A stage will be set up outside the front of the school. Audio equipment will be set up to announce the arrival of a Senior to the stage. Music will be playing. A hired photographer will be in position to take senior photos.

A maximum of 18 faculty members will be appropriately social distanced on the field throughout the front of the school. Faculty will be wearing graduation gowns. All SLCSE faculty and staff will wear masks.

When the senior vehicle reaches the indicated mark, the senior will exit the vehicle and walk to the outdoor stage in front of the school. The graduates name will be read and the senior will walk across their stage, pick up their diploma and have their photo taken. A statement will be read about them being a graduate. They will turn their tassel, throw their cap, and return to vehicle.

### **Other components of Graduation**

- May 20<sup>th</sup> Cap and Gown Distribution, parade map route will be given at this time and signed compact of participating SLCSE families need to be returned
- Seniors will need to steam their own gowns this year
- The graduation walk will be available on Facebook Live and Insta Live
- Gown return on Monday, June 6 11:00-1:00
- We will compile a video of student graduation speeches, performances, and highlights from the Graduation Parade after the event.

## **SLCSE Graduation 2020 Participation Compact**

SLCSE Families,

We appreciate your patience while we created a graduation plan that we feel honors and celebrates the academic experiences of our students while also maintaining the health and safety of everyone participating.

Many schools are choosing to hold virtual graduation ceremonies or schedule individual appointments for seniors to receive their diplomas. Because of our tight-knit SLCSE community, and the many years spent building relationships with our students, graduation has always been a beautiful celebration of our time together. We have designed a plan that will allow us to maintain the integrity of our graduation, even though it is a bit unconventional. In order to participate in this unique graduation ceremony, we need families to commit to strictly adhering to the following expectations:

- If you are sick, stay home!
- Only one vehicle per senior is allowed in the parade.
- Only the senior is permitted to exit the vehicle. Professional photographs will be taken of the student. A link in which the family can download photos will be provided following graduation.
- For anyone watching the parade along the route, social distancing of 6 feet between groups must be followed.
- There can be no gatherings or physical contact of any kind. A list of suggested viewing points of the parade will be provided.
- Only those within the participating senior's vehicle can watch the graduation walk. Attendance at the graduation for anyone outside the vehicle is not possible in person but they can watch online.

I understand the expectations and commit to following them. I will communicate these expectations and the importance of following them with anyone I invite to be along the parade route. I also understand that if I do anything that could compromise the health and safety of any others I may be prohibited from participating.

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Senior's Name (Printed)

Participating family members' signatures

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**\*Return letter with signatures when picking up cap and gown on May 20<sup>th</sup>.**

- Fall  
We do not have plans in place for what fall will look like. We may meet as a council over the summer as needed.
- Other