

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

Minutes: October 9, 2019, 5:00 pm

### Welcome and Introductions

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### Meeting Dates and Times

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month from 5:00-6:00
  - o October 9, 2019
  - o November 13, 2019
  - o December 11, 2019
  - o January 8, 2020
  - February 12, 2020
  - o March 11, 2020
  - o April 8, 2020
  - o May 13, 2020

# **Approve September Minutes**

Motion to approve. Seconded.

### **SCC Elections**

Parent's serve for two terms. Anyone who was a voting member of SCC last year is again. We have a total of 20 positions on our SCC. If we have less than 20 total participants than seats, we don't need to hold an election. Determine who will be on SCC (committing to attend once a month meeting). New voting members this year: Dora Diana and Amy Jordan. Vice chair elected is Lynn Lonardo.

### Rules of Order and Procedure

We reviewed the template from School LAND Trust and made some modifications. Here are the Rules of Order and Procedure that were agreed upon:

### 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

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- Expect accountability and be prepared to be accountable
- Act with integrity

#### Rules of Procedure:

- All meetings are open to the public and the public is welcome to attend.
- The agenda of each upcoming meeting with draft minutes of the prior meeting will be made available to all council members at least one week in advance, will be posted on the school website and made available in the main office. The agenda will include the date, time and location of the meeting. If there is an agenda item requiring a vote, members will be notified and the agenda will indicate the required vote.
- Minutes will be kept of all meetings, prepared in draft format for approval at the next scheduled meeting.
- The council will consist of the principal and at least two more parents than employees and can have up to a total of 20 members.
- The chair conducts the meetings, makes assignments and requests reports on assignments. In the absence of the chair the vice-chair shall conduct meetings.
- The council must have a quorum to vote. A quorum is equal to a majority of council members.
- If a parent member is absent from two consecutive meetings, the chair may notify the member that if the member does not attend the next meeting, the council may consider the seat vacant and the remaining parent members may appoint a parent to fill the unexpired term.
- Members of S.C.C. must notify the chair of any potential conflicts of interest.
- Meetings shall be conducted and action taken according to very simplified rules of parliamentary procedure as required in 53G-7-1203(10). Council actions will be taken by motions and voting with votes and motions recorded in the minutes.

# **Parent Compact**

### Recommended modifications:

- add Safe UT info
- Add First Fridays to the back
- Remove Netsmartz

#### Student Success Plan

#### Academic/TSSA

The number of students reading at or above grade level will increase by 3% from the beginning of the year to the middle of the year as measured by the Lexile level on the HMH Reading Inventory.

- Time in a faculty meeting will be scheduled to explore the data more in-depth as well as plan interventions that can be done in content area classrooms.
- A private tutor has been contracted to run intense reading intervention with some of our highest need students in reading.
- All of our directed studies classes will have licenses to an online reading program for any students reading below grade level.

#### Culture

Positive school/home relationships will be fostered by sending 100% of SLCSE students' parents a positive and specific postcard from faculty and each teacher will choose and carry out their own positive parent connections by the end of the first semester.

- Postcards are in the faculty room. Time at faculty meeting and team meeting will be dedicated to postcard writing.
- Time at faculty meeting will be dedicated to teachers collaborating about their individual positive parent outreach plans. Faculty will share their individual positive parent connection(s) at the faculty meeting prior to winter break.

### **Achievement Gap**

100% of our teachers will participate in a colleague observation protocol twice per semester with a focus on differentiation for students with disabilities and English language learners in order to provide access to rigorous curriculum for all students.

 Teachers have turned in observation requests. Observation assignments will be sent out by next week. Once you complete your observations AND debrief, email Britnie.

SCC was in favor of the SSP goals. Some parents have already received positive postcards and have really enjoyed that. Parents are excited about home visits.

# Updates from district SCC

For digital citizenship, Netsmartz has been discontinued and the state vendor for online safety is Digital Respons-Ability. These are online modules.

### Updates from Admin

- Visible Light Club available at both lunches once per week.
- At PTC we gave out cards explaining how to opt in to receive text messages
- Many successful events and trips over the past month- Jane Goodall,
  Delta WINGS flight, Rio Mesa, Goshutes.

#### Issues of Interest

There are concerns about poor behavior of students in the classroom. Some student behavior is impacting the learning experiences of other students. One parent shared that her son's old school saw something similar. That school held parent/teacher classes on brain development and adolescent behaviors. There was discussion on current society encouraging a culture of meanness. On 10/9/19 there was a story on NPR, Hidden Brain that had interesting insight to some of these issues.

Parent Teacher Conference feedback: Please ask teachers to limit a conference to 5 minutes (with a timer) and have a sheet available to schedule an additional meeting if necessary.

# **Upcoming Events:**

- October 15~ Picture Day
- October 17, 18, 21~ Fall Break
- October 25~ End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter
- October 29 & 30~ Theatre production