MINUTES

SCC Meeting
March 8, 2023
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Meeting conducted by: Matt Smith

Attendees: Steven Schwimmer, Curtis and Melody Linton, Caroline Ingraham, Matt Smith, Rachel Fletcher, Tessa Stewart, Sydney Stringham

Location: SLCSE-Bryant Middle School Media Center
40 South 800 East
Salt Lake City, Utah 84102

Welcome and Approve January Minutes:
Mr. Smith welcomed the council and asked for approval of minutes. Mr Smith moved to approve and Steven seconded. Unanimous approval.

Extended Trip Addition:
Needs to be approved because the trip is out of state. Ms Dame would like to take students to a site in Lander, WY with some of the oldest rocks in the Western United States. The trip will take place this Spring. May 10-12. Dr. Stringham, needs approval from admin, SIC and SCC. Trip is out of state, but follows all other guidelines…students will miss three days. The school will need to charter a bus (required for out of state). All four teams have a trip planned for next year. (Thanks to Dr. Stringham, per Mr. Smith). Melody Lindon motioned for approval. Tessa Stewart seconded. Unanimous approval. Geordie McLeod will sign necessary paperwork.

Extended Trip Program Request:
Students may miss up to three days of school. Ideally, teachers should be home for the weekend. Trips are designed for students to be back by Friday evening. Trips have been financed by a United Way grant. If that grant is awarded again, there will be no fee. Students who have fees waived would not need to pay. No student will be excluded due to any inability to pay. There will be five trips this school year, due to “teacher leader funding”. That funding will most likely not happen next year. So more of the burden will be on teachers. Hopefully more trips planned for next year. Not every trip on the schedule will happen. SCC approves all of the trips, and then teachers can choose what they would be most excited about. Next year’s plan includes a trip for incoming 7th graders in the summer of 2023. And more trips planned to increase opportunities for students. Mr. Schwemmer stated that these trips really help distinguish Bryant Middle School, and help build the community feeling at school. He asked if some kids do not want to go. Dr. Stringham responded that, yes, some kids don’t want to go. But teachers really encourage them to get out of their comfort zone and try something that would be fun/good for them. Teachers will sometimes reach out to
parents to encourage students to go.
Mr. Smith appreciates the responsibility put on admin and teachers to reach out to parents and students to offer this opportunity.
Permission slips and information for upcoming trips this year are on the website.
Tessa Stewart made a motion, Mr. Smith seconded. The plan is unanimously approved.

Land Trust Plan:
Mr. Smith proposed that we use all of land trip funds to fund a teacher.
Curtis Linton made a motion and Melody made a second. Unanimous approval.

Family Mental Health Resources: parent.guidance.org:
This is a website that the district has a contract with. Mr. Smith showed the website to the committee. The site offers curriculum, guidance, talking points as a telehealth provider to help parents with students in middle school.
Bryant will next year pay to have a license for the website next year. Every parent with a student at Bryant will have access to the website with unlimited personalized, individual crisis coaching. Teachers and staff will have access as well. Help is available 24/7 on any topic. Coaches will offer help, for example, on bullying, getting kids to school, etc.
There will be an upcoming parent night where coaches/staff from the website will spend an hour with the school community discussing a topic of the school’s choice.
Dr. Fletcher hopes that in addition to the website, we continue to encourage in person, community relationships.

Admin update:
Caroline Ingraham presented information from the recent visit from the Yale RULER staff. Students, with approval, participated in a social/emotional well being survey. The program has been rolled out among teachers. Starting to roll out among students.
This survey focused on students feelings about school community. The data shows that there are good relationships between teacher/student and student/student.
Majority of students felt teachers made a good effort in class and out of class; that they felt adults/teachers were interacting positively with one another. The response wasn’t as positive about student to student relationships…which is where rolling out the program will be very beneficial.
Survey data showed students feel comfortable expressing their opinions in class, recognize there are behavioral rules in class.
Biggest area for growth is in student to student relationships.
The same survey will be given twice next year.

A parent night will be held from the Yale program staff to present to the school community. Incoming students and families will be invited/included.
Mr. Smith is going to look at data from other schools to put information in context.
Dr. Fletcher suggested putting the parental consent form in the registration paperwork.

Adjourn:
Mr. Smith asked if there was any further discussion or questions. There were none.
Mr. Smith asked that the April meeting be moved to 4/12.
Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn and Dr. Stringham made a second. Meeting adjourned at 6:53.

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