

Salt Lake Center for Science Education – Bryant Middle School

Notice of Public Meeting – School Community Council

This meeting will be held in person at

40 South 800 East

Salt Lake City, Utah 84102

Minutes for December 4, 2024

6:00pm-7:00pm

Michelle Amiot, Ph.D., Principal

Vanessa Jordan, Ed.D., Assistant Principal

Geordie McLeod, School Community Council Chair

Excellence and Equity: every student, every classroom, every day

Attendance:

Justin Daniels

Geordie McLeod

Marianne Wilson

Jen Jones

Betsy Garlish

Emily Pierce

Michelle Amiot

Vanessa Jordan

Follow up questions about funding for camping

Michelle said that the fiscal year was reported from SLCSE

In March we have to go to the board because we cannot ask for fees, but we can ask for donations.

Parents are asking to send a survey for camping interest to all families

Admin will send a forms out to see the interest in camping to families

Britney Dame is willing to work in a focus group with parents about camping and experiential learning after the survey is sent out.

Michelle is going to look at the spreadsheet with Brittany to understand how much per child

Parents have hesitation about teachers not reacting positively to students who went on camping trips.

Techniques for Tough Times course was discussed

Michelle discussed equity and access for district programming

Geordie asked what the elective classes are available

Geordie has concerns about Math: tracking students to separate math and science. The vision is that students all take the same courses

Review of De-tracking

3rd grade math when they were in 5th grade – never being able to progress year over year and remaining below grade level courses over time

Students were not de-tracked pre-common core

Access and de tracking rolled out through implementation of common core by the states led by the National Governors Association/states ensuring access to grade level content

Michelle talked about core content tracking and unconscious bias pre-common core era/common core era

Geordie questioned “pillars” in relation to tracking