

# Community Council

Oct 12, 2021

## Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Principal Ardizzone, Britanie Williams, Melissa Davis, Lauren Hunter, Mike Meyer, Natalie Belnap, Sarah Schenck

1. Opened the meeting with a review of the Sept 21, 2021 minutes. Britanie Williams motioned to approve the minutes and Sarah Schenck seconded the motion.
2. School Safety Plan - The after school pedestrian crossing issues have continued and have been increasing at the Wasatch intersection. Britanie has reached out to the city coordinator twice and has not received any feedback. She did talk to Don Chantry, who gives out the assignments, however, he said he has to get approval from Daniel Gilles from the city before he can make any changes.
  - a. Update - During the meeting Alex Anderson left Britanie a voicemail stating that Daniel has been out of the office for some time so that explains the delay in a response. Britanie will reach out to Alex and push for the relocation of the crossing guard as soon as possible!
3. Financial Update: Principal Ardizzone reviewed the Land Trust budget and the proposed expenses for the year. A link is provided in the agenda to that spreadsheet. The council wants to focus on the Science and the English/Language Art program this year. The principal has proposed to support half of a teacher's salary to decrease class sizes and then split the remaining funds in half for the science program and reading interventions.
  - a. He has not been able to hire a Science Teacher so he is thinking he will split those duties up to a few part-time positions to make it a little more appealing. He had a great opportunity to talk with other schools with similar environmental science programs at the national convention where he accepted the award from last year. He got some good feedback and is working on a plan to build a sustainable program. He could use help finding people that have the "gardening" knowledge that would support the outdoor classroom and also someone that would do some indoor projects for each grade. Please reach out to anyone you may know! We considered reaching out to the local nurseries and/or botanical gardens for recommendations.
4. Community Council Training: We watched a few training videos (links are in the agenda) on the duties and procedures for the council. It was good to review the requirements and to make sure we are following the proper procedures. There are more training videos provided from the Land Trust that individual members can view on YouTube.

- a. We talked about using the Schoolbinder app to invite others to the meetings and post meeting reminders. Maybe even post links to the meeting minutes. The Community Council meetings are open to all to attend but we could do a better job to raise awareness.
- b. The schools website, listed below, has our council members, with contact info, and links for our Community Council Rules of Order, Parent and Family Engagement, School Success Plan and Funding Allocation. As well as, the meeting schedule, agendas, and minutes for this year.

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5. School update:

- a. Technology: The two Smart TV's have been installed in Mrs. Maurice's and Mrs. Felker's classrooms. Students have already commented that "they can actually see the information being presented now!" The principal is going to continue to work with the district to get these installed in every classroom.
- b. The Environment Lab has been getting cleaned out and will be back to a full time lab soon!

6. PTA:

- a. The staff was very appreciative for the support of meals during PTC last week. They were also happy that the PTA came in at the end to clean up the break room afterwards. Sarah will pass that along to Ashtyn Pierce, who headed that group.
- b. Red Ribbon week is the last week of October and plans are in the works for that event.
- c. The Read-a-thon will be in November and the PTA is coordinating those details now to help it be a fun and successful event. They are making some changes based on the feedback from last year.

With no more questions the principal motioned to adjourn and Mike Meyers seconded the motion. Our next meeting will be Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 4pm.