

Gourley Elementary Community Council Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2018

President Jones called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. Council members present included Brandon Jones, Shellie Averett, Laurie Banks, Allesen Peck. Others attending the meeting included Briar Mattucci, and Maria Louisa McCauley.

The first item addressed by the council was the upcoming CC elections. Principal Peck indicated that candidacy forms had been sent out and quite a few had been returned. However, upon checking with those who had submitted forms, only three were interested in being on the community council. Those three were Virgie Montero, Shawni Warner, and Tanieli Laumati. With three parent seats vacant, the council discussed holding an election verses voting to seat all three parents interested in joining the council. Chairman Jones made a motion to fill the three vacant parent openings with the three parents listed above. Shellie Averett seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to seat the three parents on the community council for the coming year. Shellie Averett took on the responsibility to contact the three parents and make them aware of the councils actions.

The next item discussed was the date for council meetings this year. It was determined by the council to continue meeting on the 1st Thursday of each month at 3:30 p.m. in the school conference room. A list of council meetings will be posted on the school web page.

Principal Peck asks permission to present SAGE growth data to the council. She distributed graphs showing Gourley at a 59.5% growth percentile in ELA, placing it 4th in a list of comparable schools in the State of Utah. In Math, the school achieved a 46% growth percentile, placing it 10th in a list of comparable schools. Principal Peck noted that while the rate of students receiving the proficient mark had declined slightly, students were still making strong growth at the school.

Chairman Jones opened the floor for anyone who would like to bring up topics for discussion. Shellie Averett mentioned the bus zone and how the dual emersion bus often has a difficult time getting into the bus zone in the morning, because after the Gourley bus have dropped off students, parents tend to use the bus zone area as well. The suggestion was made that we might look into having a cement curb installed that might deter parents from entering the bus zone. Principal Peck stated that she could submit that as a capital outlay project for the school this year. In the short term, there was a discussion about investing in some cones to try to help curb the problem.

Agenda items for the next council meeting will include watching a CC training video, an update from the PTA on their activities, and a presentation on DIBELS BOY data.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.