

## Community Council Meeting Minutes

Hartvigsen School

Administrative Conference Room

January 9, 2024

10:00 – 11:00 AM

**Welcome and Introductions:** In attendance: Alison Wendel Bennett, JennaBree Brown, Crystal Shank, via internet Erolynn Wood, Jenna Lewis

Excused: Felicia Wood, Alisa Harmon

**Minutes:** December 2023 minutes read by JennaBree. **Motion:** “To approve the minutes from the December 2023 meeting.” Jenna Lewis seconded the motion.

### **Business:**

1. Alison shared the proposed idea of holding a joint fundraiser and multicultural event sometime in April. She meets with the leadership council Monday January 22 to obtain the date of the event.
  - a. Are there any suggestion on dates and times from this PTO? Evening on a short day.
    - i. suggestions to invite other restaurants/food truck -
    - ii. PTO will host the event
    - iii. Alison will be point of contact for the performances
    - iv. The event will be Friday the 19th of April
  - b. Parents will be invited to host either a cultural information booth in small gym, or a cultural food booth in lunchroom.
  - c. Performances, hopefully augmented by volunteers from nearby multicultural centers.
  - d. Are there any connections from this committee
2. Discussion of the Land Trust funds will be more fully discussed in March
  - a. Alison shared the many ways Aaron’s presence here at Hartvigsen is enhancing the educational experience for students and staff. She respectfully requests the council to consider continuing to use the Land Trust money to fund his position. Aaron’s contributions include but are not limited to:
    - i. holding technology classes to help teachers understand how to navigate the new mandated programs,
    - ii. technology classes on platforms like Canva which teachers produce more visually engaging materials to help with IEP goals and lessons
    - iii. teaching students how take interviews, pictures, and videos for Husky news reports
    - iv. providing personalized coaching for teacher
    - v. enabling teachers’ better access and fulfillment of the district's monthly Ed Tech challenges. This requires teachers to meet with their technology consultants three separate times.
    - vi. Trouble shoots the various technology problems that arise daily!
    - vii. Helps with transitions when we are short staffed including busses
    - viii. Advocates for technology materials at the district level

3. With approval from Felicia, Alison presented an opportunity for parents to advocate.
4. Need to change the date for the Community Council meeting for February to the 20th, as the 13th is the PTO dance. Motion by JennaBree "To change the date of the February CC meeting to Feb 20, 2024" Motion seconded by Crystal. Unanimously approved.
5. From the Utah Association for Music Therapists (UAMT)
  - a. Recently we have been in communication with the Utah Office of Professional Licensure Review (OPLR) and the Utah Department of Professional Licensing (DOPL) to advocate for ***State licensure for music therapists***. This is different from our current state certification (SCMT) in that it would provide the following:
    - i. Title protection of "Music Therapist", as opposed to "State-Certified Music Therapist", which is the title protected by our current state certification
    - ii. Increased recognition and acceptance of the music therapy profession within Utah
    - iii. MT-BCs become accountable to the state for ensuring safe and ethical practice, in addition to CBMT.
  - b. We have also been in contact with state legislatures, and representatives of the Utah Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) about the potential for making music therapy services available through ***Medicaid waiver programs***. This would allow us to better serve a wider range of individuals who would benefit from our services, including:
    - i. Individuals with Acquired Brain Injuries
    - ii. Individuals with Developmental Disabilities
    - iii. Individuals who are medically fragile
    - iv. Individuals who meet a nursing facility level of care
  - c. UAMT is requesting 20 parents from Hartvigsen to complete a voluntary survey.



**Action Items:**

1. Alison will send out emails to ask for volunteers for both food and performance to Hartvigsen staff and parents.

**Principal Update:**

January: Donuts with Dudes

February: Valentines Dance on February 13th from 9-10:30 am & Chinese New Year celebration

Parent Teacher Conferences: Monday 5th & Tuesday 6th of February

March: Muffins with Misses

April: Multicultural Event Fundraiser

May: There is a sundae bar on May 9<sup>th</sup>

Teacher appreciation week May 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>

**Motion to adjourn:** The motion was given to adjourn JennaBree, seconded by Crystal, and unanimously approved.

Next Meeting: February 20, 2024

10:00 am

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