

Oakwood Community Council April 24, 2019 Minutes

Present:

Nate Woodward, Chair
Doug Jones, Vice Chair
Tiffany Hollingworth, Secretary
Michelle Cannon, Parent
Tod Cracroft, Principal
Holly Fairbanks, Parent
Wendy Jones, Parent
Barbara Luka, Teacher
Wendy Jones, Teacher
Kelsey Nichols, Parent
Shelly Larson, Teacher

Nate Woodward welcomed everyone to the meeting, and made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2019 meeting. All approved.

Upcoming 2019-2020 SCC elections

Mr. Cracroft discussed that there will be elections held in August for SCC positions. There will be 3 parent-member seats open as Doug Jones, Kelsey Nichols and Holly Fairbanks terms will all expire at the end of this school year. As for teacher-member seats, Barbara Luka mentioned she will give up her seat. Wendy Jones is happy to stay but will give up hers if someone else wants to participate.

By August 29, 2019 voting will need to take place. Voting timelines are spelled out by the Utah legislature in the applicable statute. Discussed encouraging those we think are good candidates to run for the positions.

School next year starts August 19.

Timpanogos Storytelling Festival – POPS Program in the Schools

Presentation by Marilee Clark from the TSF. Marilee introduced the POPS program which is sponsored by monies from the legislature and the Sorenson Foundation. POPS program goal is to bring storytelling into the schools and to allow schools to bring their students to attend part of the TSF, all at no cost. TSF takes their program to schools as far north as Cache County and as far south as Washington County.

Program offers a few options – first, having a nationally recognized storyteller come to our school during the school year and present at an assembly (two assemblies – one for grades k-2, one for 3-5). In connection with that, they offer grade-specific curriculum suggestions for writing prompts, recordings in classroom, streaming playlist, and “Make it, tell it, write it” CD produced by nationally-renowned storyteller Donald Davis is part of the free curriculum.

Second, the Storytelling Festival is always held weekend after Labor Day (at Thanksgiving Point) and it is possible for students to attend, free of charge, either September 5 or 6, for an hour performance. Would need to schedule as field trip and coordinate buses. Recommended age grades 3-5. Teacher workshop also offered at the festival is September 5th. Cost for workshop is \$90 per teacher. Consensus among the SCC was positive, and everyone was in favor of moving forward to have Oakwood participate in the program for the following school year. Marilee will contact Mr. Cracroft with additional dates and information.

Budget discussion, monies, etc.

Summertime collaborations, possible addition to the Land Trust budget– We could add extra \$600 etc. to that amount to allow for some teachers to attend additional workshops.

Mr. Cracroft will monitor the monies coming in year-end and see what we have to work with or carry forward.

Other Issues:

Michelle Cannon mentioned that moms that came and mentioned their security concerns to the SCC the first time feel that there hasn't been feedback and/or we haven't followed through on the security issue. What can be done to remedy this, and where are we at on some of those ideas? Tried to use “theater type ropes” to direct traffic to office but had to remove at the end of the day, not that effective. The vinyl steps are coming for next year.

Thanks were given to the outgoing SCC members.

Meeting adjourned, this is the last meeting of the school year. Will schedule next meeting in August.