

Olympus Junior
Community Council
April 13, 2015

➤ Minutes from March 9, 2015 - Margit

➤ Legislative update

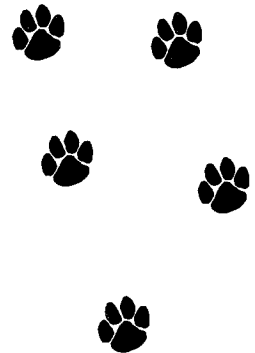
➤ Council Vacancies 2015-2016

- Margit Caine
- Katie Graham
- Jim Sheets

➤ Staffing 2015-2016



➤ Safe Walking Routes



Next Meeting: May 11, 2015 @ 3:00 p.m.

The 2015 Utah Legislative Session wrapped up two weeks ago. Two bills that passed will impact the work of School Community Councils and Charter Trust Lands Councils.

HB 363 School LAND Trust Program Amendments sponsored by Representative Cunningham

- The focus of the bill was to raise a cap on the School LAND Trust revenue that funds the program. It is currently set at 2% of the value of the Minimum School Program (primary funding mechanism for public schools). The bill raised the cap to 3%. As a practical matter the distribution to schools through the program has not yet reached the 2% cap but is expected to in the near future. Raising the cap means that schools will continue to receive funding from the program as the distribution continues to grow for the next several years.
- Clarified that when the Charter Trust Lands Council is not the local charter school board, the council is subject to School community councils – Open and public meeting requirements (53A-1a-108.1).

HB 213 2nd Substitute Safe Technology Utilization and Digital Citizenship in Public Schools sponsored by Representative Stratton

- Adds a responsibility to the “job description” of School Community Councils and Charter Trust Lands Councils related to technology use. They are responsible to understand what filtering systems and configurations are in place on school and district devices that connect to the internet and provide feedback and recommendations to the administration about the systems and configurations, as necessary. In addition, they are to provide education for students and parents about safe technology use, including appropriate, responsible, secure and healthy best practices. The council may delegate these responsibilities, create a subcommittee or partner with a non-profit to complete the work. Many schools already provide this kind of training through White Ribbon Week or another similar program that may be conducted by the PTA or another parent or employee organization. If that is the case, schools may continue with what is already working well. The council is responsible to see that timely education is provided and to engage in an ongoing conversation with district administrators of technology.