Skyline High Community Council Minutes of 1/21/21 Online Meeting

In Attendance:

Katie Dahle, Emeliee Dirks, Malia Groesbeck, Jessica Kerr, Tayler Khater, Kim Lovato, Mitch Nerdin, Monisha Pasupathi, Kim Paulding, Karianne Prince, Brodie Reid,

Guests: France Barral, Matt Durham, Jackie Carrington, Julie Jackson, Tim Mundt, Janelle Williamson

Excused: Jennie Soulier

1. Introductions

- a. Julie Jackson, new Granite School District Board Member was introduced.
- b. France Barral and Janelle Williamson, Granite School District Community Council Members were introduced.
- c. Matt Durham, Holladay City Council Member was introduced.

2. Meeting Minutes

a. The December 10, 2020 Skyline High Community Council Meeting minutes were discussed. It was decided that changes needed to be made to the minutes. Amended minutes would be sent out to the Community Council for their review at the February Community Council meeting.

3. Appreciation

a. Appreciation was expressed to the Skyline staff, administration, and teachers for the exhaustive work they have put in to keep the schools open. The Council would also like to applaud Mr. Nerdin and the Administration for being so organized with COVID testing.

4. New Superintendent

- a. Julie Jackson asked the Community Council Members to think about what they want in a Superintendent. Superintendent Bates announced that he will be retiring at the end of the school year.
- b. Janelle Williamson mentioned that the Board stated that it wants transparency and would like feedback from everyone regarding the type of Superintendent they want to see at Granite School District
- c. Timeline
 - i. The Board is currently gathering information.
 - ii. The Board will create a pamphlet that will be sent out nationwide through the National School Boards Association.
 - iii. A committee of two members from each precinct, administrators, and possibly students will whittle down the candidates to 5-7 applicants.
 - iv. The Granite Board of Education will make the final decision.
 - v. The hope is to hire the new Superintendent by the end of May.

5. Schools After COVID

- a. It was mentioned that this is an important time in Granite School District.
- b. What we want schools to look like after COVID was discussed. It was mentioned that schools should look different. How should we use the experiences we've had during COVID to innovate? What needs to be changed?
- c. It was suggested that a future agenda item could include the Council's list of items answering Board Member Jackson's questions.

6. Current Policy

a. Julie Jackson stated that the Granite School District Board of Education will always be

- open to share policy and answer questions.
- b. Title I policy regarding the distribution of funds to junior highs and high schools was discussed.
- c. There was a discussion about a population study that was presented to the Board.

7. Student-Directed Play

a. Mr. Rogan will be presenting a revised script for the student-directed play to the Community Council.

8. Land Trust 2019-2020

a. The final report was due on February 5th. However, the website is under construction and the due date has been pushed back. The information will be made available to the Community Council when the website is back up and running so they can approve the final 2019-2020 Land Trust budget.

9. Land Trust 2021-2022

- a. It is time to start working to building the 2021-2022 Land Trust Plan. It is critical that the Skyline Community Council does a good assessment and lets the data define what the needs are. The plans should be in depth so the plan has the desired effect. The Council does not want to fund things because that is what was done before. Having data tell us the most pressing academic needs and how much of that path we can fund is imperative.
- b. The next Community Council meeting should be scheduled as a live meeting to be held in a location where all can be socially distant.

10. New Building

- a. Skyline will share Cottonwood High School's track. Two busses will be provided every day for athletes.
- b. Boys and Girls Lacrosse were discussed.
- c. It was mentioned that the scoreboard would be put up at Wasatch Junior High.
- d. It was suggested that a portable scoreboard also be purchased with so many transient home games.
- e. The construction company took out five feet of dirt and added a drainage system to the location of the new football stadium.
- f. The design of the new turf field is larger and the track will be bigger.
- g. The stadium should be finished in July or August this summer.
- h. Walls are going up. Some patrons are frustrated by the site line issues and size of the walls.
- The "Relo Village" is all in place to house the classes currently in "C" Building. "C" Building comes down this summer.
- j. The cafeteria relocatable will be added and will be in place for four years.
- k. The Wood Shop will be added in the west, faculty parking lot.
- I. Updated paper plans will be requested from the architects and posted in the faculty room. Many revisions have been made improving the plans, space, and flow.
- m. Thanks was expressed to the New Building Sub-Committee, Brodie Reid, and Don Adams for their hard work.
- n. The Baseball Field is scheduled to be turned over on March 1, 2021. A community celebration was discussed for this milestone and those that follow. Assistance from Granite District's Communications Office was suggested.
- o. If there are any concerns with sports, Mitch Nerdin's door is always open to hear about problems and successes.

11. Failure Rate

a. The Council requested an update on the failure rate for second quarter. Mitch Nerdin will report on the failure rate at the next meeting.

12. COVID Testing

a. There were no positive COVID cases found during the first day of the "Test to Stay" protocol, however, positivity in the community is skyrocketing. This may be due to social

- interaction over the holidays.
- b. A concern regarding the validity of the testing was raised. The Department of Health has stated that the tests that were used are very reliable tests. Other high schools who tested also had only a small numbers of positive cases.
- 13. School Improvement Plan
 - a. This process will begin in February 2021.
- 14. The next Community Council meeting was scheduled for February 11, 2021, however, due to parent teacher conferences being held that week, it was decided that the next meeting will be held on February 18, 2021. Land Trust will be the first agenda item.

Next Scheduled Meeting – February 18, 2021 – In-Person with Zoom link available.