

Wasatch Junior High School

School Community Council Meeting Agenda

Meeting Date: March 4, 2021

Meeting Time: 6:45 am

Location: Main Office Conference Room

Attendees:

Y	John Anderson	Y	Sarah Walton	N	Niki Wong
Y	Heidi Whitaker	Y	Juan Arce-Larreta	N	Jason Eldredge
Y	Tina Romney	Y	Vincenza Vicari-Bentley	Y	Becca Lloyd
Y	Rick Miller	Y	Justin Bradley		

Y = Attended, N = Did Not Attend

Agenda Topics:

--Approval of February meeting minutes

--Tech Aide position update – 2 applicants- one never responded other took a different job

-- Discussion and goal creation for 2021-22 plan

Next meeting is April 8th @ 6:45am.

Meeting Minutes

- Meeting minutes for February approved
- 2 people applied for tech position. One couldn't get a hold of, the other accepted another position.
 - Will have some leftover money (~\$12K) from this position
- Have about \$40K leftover to spend.
- Need to replace about 200 chromebooks – easy place to spend some of the extra money

- Could save a portion of funds for a reading teacher next year
- Ideas from teachers:
 - Help reduce class sizes – done with an extra period. Burns out the teachers.
 - Could hire a teacher in a focused area (English, Math, etc.) to lower class size, but doesn't equally benefit all the teachers
 - Teacher Aides may or may not be helpful
 - Anticipated that academic year 2021-2022 will be back to business as usual. No dual modality, etc.
 - Some distance learning will be continued, district-wide, by some teachers, but likely won't reduce class size sufficiently
 - Reading classes for 6th grade
 - Many coming in are not reading at grade level
 - After school tutoring
 - Already done for math, but could consider a more broad effort
 - Test makeup administration, writing help, math help
 - New chromebooks
 - Many are broken, many outdated.
- Ideas from CC
 - Early intervention – if teachers see a student struggling is there a way to reach out early
 - BHA (behavior health assistant) – kind of like a school “mom” that goes through backpack, advocates for students, etc.
 - Have one already. If we want another one, we could try to hire one -- \$20K is about what it would take
 - Existing BHA is heavily utilized, so an additional one would help.
 - STEM
 - Have smart whiteboards
 - Can't spend trust money on wireless infrastructure
 - Microphones – could use funds on that, but there are other funds for this.
 - Music instruments
 - Look into upgrading rental musical instruments
 - Interactive notebooks
 - Very effective, liked by many teachers. Single use.
 - After school clubs

- Additional resources to help make kids aware of opportunities