



West Kearns Elementary School Community Council Agenda March 12, 2019 3:45 pm; Library

Welcome: Chair

Start meeting at 3:51 p.m.

Review and approval of minutes from January 8, 2018 meeting: Chair

Meeting minutes approved by all members present.

Welcome to New Council Members replacing the Campbells: Natalie Rodgers and Gil Olaya.

Welcome to Karyn Winder, President of the Granite School District Board of Education.

School received Tech grant for 1-to-1 technology for next year.

Breakfast in classroom survey results: Principal Timothy

Keep breakfast as is before school: 151

Reasons noted by parents on the survey: sanitation, time away from learning, responsibility of parents to feed children, more wasted food, won't be able to come to school early, limited food options

Try breakfast in the classroom: 145

Reasons noted by parents in the survey: all students can eat and be able to focus, had it and liked it at other Granite schools, won't have to miss breakfast if running late for school, not everyone can afford breakfast, encourage unity and a sense of belonging in the classroom, and it is free to all

Margin of error: Example-1 person voted for all 5 children. Kinder parents already have breakfast in the classroom, so they may have marked "keep it as is," meaning keep breakfast in the classroom.

Principal reached out to School Accountability Director, who reached out to Assistant Superintendent for guidance. This is meant to be a Community Council decision. Suggested reaching out to Dana Adams to speak to the Council about the program. Could bring samples. Could take Leadership Team members over to nearby schools with breakfast in the classroom. Could get input from Oquirrh Hills families because that school does have breakfast in the classroom, so those students are accustomed to the program.

Karyn shared input: Granite does own packaging of food. Own child has breakfast in the classroom. Food is never forced upon children. Teachers only have to mark who takes food. Share table-fruit for snack for later for some children. Encourages Council to vote on what's best for kids. Some schools have had tardies decrease because they know they won't get to eat if they are tardy.

Teachers shared input: Concern about level of time lost for instruction. Concern about mess in the classroom. Concern about student allergies.

Suggestions: do self-start or independent activity; have students help set up and clean up.

Purpose: Kids can't learn if they are hungry. We are a highly-impacted school with approximately 80% on free/reduced lunch. Equitable opportunity if offered to all in the classroom.

Somer proposed having Dana Adams come. Natalie requested that teachers come to discuss with the Council pros/cons. Vote postponed until further information is presented to the Council.

Computer lab discussion-8:00 lab, 8:30 breakfast--this would shift if we change to breakfast in the classroom. Supervision starts at 8:45 outside. Concerns expressed about parents who work and need to drop student off earlier than 8:45.

Staffing for coming school year: Principal Timothy

Projected enrollment: 755

27.25 class size

FTE: 27.5

Kinder-4 sessions (1 OEK, 2 A.M., 1 P.M.)

1st grade-4 FTE

2nd grade-5 FTE

3rd grade-5 FTE

4th grade-5 FTE

5th grade-4 FTE

6th grade-4 FTE

29 FTE with Trustlands and Title I funding

Proposed using Trustlands (1.0) and Title I (0.5) funding to lower class sizes and have an FTE of 29. Will have 3 full-time Special Education teachers, up from 2.5 this year. We pay for a full social worker, supplemented by Title I funds. Plan was shared with the faculty last Friday.

Prelim allocation for Title I is estimated to be \$60,000 less than this year. Granite has added 2 schools to Title I status. Also less federal funding allocated. Also calculated off of Free/Reduced Lunch applications-We fell to about 60%, which means less funding. Brainstorming ways with school team and United Way Community School Director to get applications to parents and give parents support to fill them out for next year. Will be able to get paper copies instead of doing just electronic copies. Parents' concern-sharing legal information, including citizenship status.

Question about para support for larger class sizes. Will prioritize support for those classes using Trustlands and Title I.

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Principal Timothy motioned to vote on approving staffing plan. Celeste seconded the motion.

All voted to approve tentative staffing plan.

Number approved: 10

Number that didn't approve: 0

0 voting members present

Digital Citizenship: Principal Timothy

PTA is working on rescheduling NetSmartz assembly for a student attendance day.

Invite Ben Horsley to come present for the community?: Principal Timothy

Suggested to partner with neighboring schools so more parents can attend. Request for separate room for children-combine with movie night? Concern about translating for parents-could Ben's office provide this?

Safe walking route plan: Melanie Roybal

Safe Neighborhood Access Program is to be updated annually. Working with the State to update our school boundaries to include Oquirrh Hills neighborhood. Will send SNAP plan via email to Council for approval. Concern about volume of traffic for "safe routes," number of crossing guards.

Principal Timothy to contact other principals regarding how to get lights added.

Trustlands review: Principal Timothy

Progress report

Goal: Haven't completed end of year RISE assessment yet, so don't have data points to analyze.

Estimated spending \$66,000. Looking to carry over 10% to offset cut in Title I funding.

Upcoming School Plan

Goal: To increase ELA proficiency by 5% proficiency in RISE. Focus: reading and writing.

Action Steps: 1 teacher to cut class sizes and paras to support classroom instruction.

Celeste motioned to vote on new Trustlands goal and action plan. Somer seconded the motion.

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We Remember (Holocaust): Principal Timothy

Shared a handout from the district about Holocaust Remembrance Day, Thursday, May 2nd. Ideas and resources. PTA sponsored Kindness Month in February.

Suggestion: service project for Venezuela; age-appropriate lesson for students related to current events

Check with Community School Director for resources

Items to include on agenda for next meeting: Chair *Email Somer if you'd like anything added to the next agenda.

Meeting adjourned 4:55 p.m.

Next meeting: April 9, 2019 3:45 pm in the library

Members:

Kathleen Timothy (employee-Principal)

Celeste Santana (employee)

Emily Olaya (employee)

Daisy Reyes (employee)

Victoria Zarandona (parent)

Kimberly Barlow (parent)

Becky Watkins (parent)

Somer Julio (parent)

Natalie Rodgers (new parent)

Gil Olaya (new parent)