

YESS Program
LAC/Community Council
April 15, 2021 11:30 am

Attendees:

Ann Jones
Brenda Monson
Cindy Willis
Jacqueline Bode

Lori Nadeau
Carol Cabanillas
Jason Rosvall
Janeve Jones

COVID:

The district is pointing toward a face-to-face return for school next year. Continued masking will remain under review. We will always follow the most restrictive protocol within our facilities. To loosen protocols three requirements need to be met – Granite has two of them accomplished. AIM still requires masks and is monitoring symptoms in students and staff. At DT, students and staff are masking, GSD is providing masks as needed. The facility is giving rapid tests to students when they arrive. Students continue to social distance.

MSP Grant:

Part One is due tomorrow. It will be reviewed, and we will be contacted soon on results. This portion of the grant funds most of our school staff. Part Two will cover transition units, reading tutors, mentors, etc. We are seeking to expand our mentoring services as numbers and needs continue to rise. We will also have a supplemental grant in December. Please contact Jason if you have any needs that we can help address. We will be moving to Roosevelt over the summer. The name will remain the same. The campus will house safe school, transition units and administrative offices. Our students will have access to greater content, services and opportunities at this location.

2021-2022 Land Trust Grant, ESSER II, TSSA:

These funds are based on a government formula.

Land Trust \$5655

ESSER \$6368

TSSA \$2878

How can we recapture the lost learning that has occurred with COVID closures? Mentoring and reading tutors can help with this and we would propose using this funding for additional tutors and mentors. Does anyone have any other suggestions? AIM would like to have a reading tutor or a mentor.

VOTE on 2021-22 School Year distribution of this funding. A motion was made to use these funds to hire additional mentors or reading tutors.

2 Yes, 0 No. 4 members were absent – Community Council members vote only (No LAC)

Accreditation:

Cindy: It's been a great time to see how far we have come and how much we have improved. We are putting together a survey to measure how we are viewed by students, teachers and facility staff. These groups will be receiving the survey soon. Please let us know how we are doing. We need to create plans for our next five-year cycle.

Granite Happenings:

Superintendent Bates is retiring. We should know by the end of April who will replace him. We don't currently anticipate any significant program changes as resulting from his retirement.

Granite HR Director is also retiring. Patrick Flanagan will be the new HR Director. A reminder about granite School District's Board goals was reviewed: Increasing student achievement and stakeholder engagement.

Next Year:

We would like to return to face-to-face meetings next year. Everyone agreed this would be preferable. We may possibly move our meetings to another day of the week to accommodate members. Everyone at the meeting is willing to continue to serve on this council which supports both Local Agency and Community Council activity guidelines.

AIM: They will have to move by October 2022. They are looking to build a campus and have all their facilities at the same location.

Transition Classrooms: As soon as they are dropped from court involvement, kids are not continuing to come to school.

SLVDT: Staff and school staff work well together. They have many long-term students. They would like more space if possible, for classroom instruction.

YESS Happenings – Brenda - <http://schools.graniteschools.org/yess/>

Visit from founder of Water for South Sudan. They read the book, *A Long Walk to Water*. The students really enjoyed this. The students raised money for this project which emphasized faith and hope in oneself.

SUU: Workshop on Shakespeare

Stem Cap updates: (DSI & Decker)

DSI Awards Assembly for Honor Roll. We hope to expand this to all facilities.

DT Solar System project

DSI Field trip to the Aquarium

These activities, especially field trips, are very valuable to our students who have not had these types of experiences. Technology can help those that cannot physically go on field trips to experience things outside of the normal learning.

Open Discussion:

OUR MISSION:

We will provide as safe, respectful, and nurturing environment where youth, in the custody of the State of Utah, will develop academic, technological, and social skills in preparation for college and career/vocational readiness for an ever-changing 21st century work force.

How can we collaborate to make this happen?

Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: 2021-22 school year (schedule to be determined)