

Water Canyon School

Community Council Meeting Minutes

December 9th, 2019

In Attendance: Chris Barrett (Elementary School Principal), Jack Eves (High School Principal), Daisy Cooke (Chair), Chloe Davis (Parent Representative), Lee Finlinson (Title I Coordinator), Roxanne Barlow (Secretary), Emma Leavitt (SPED Teacher), Wendee Wilkinson (School Counselor), LaRee Barlow (PTA President), Jared Nicol (Parent Representative)

Absent: Donia Jessop (Vice Chair), Misty Nicol (Parent Representative), Maha Layton (Parent Representative)

- Chris Barrett welcomed everyone to the meeting at 10:04 a.m.
- Daisy announced the agenda items.
- Wendee introduced the SafeUT app to council. This is for students, parents, and staff. Wendee demonstrated how to submit a ticket. Input concerning elementary students. Chris mentioned sending information to parents. Chloe mentions the point that parents may feel this is a tattling system. The purpose of the app is to promote mental health. Jared mentioned that there is a reason why students are reaching out to people that can help out.
- Chris introduced the School Improvement Plan to review State Trust Plan along with the dollar amount each item. Half time 3rd grade teacher, U of U tutoring program, .1 FTE for our Art Teacher, Choir funded by the high school, 32 chromebooks, and STEM/robotic program.
- Chris reviewed the elementary school's academic score summary. This includes RISE scores, DIBELS, math scores. Chris mentioned a problem of school attendance school wide. Chloe asked if attendance affects our school numbers?
- Jack Eves and Wendee Wilkinson excused themselves at 10:30.
- Lee showed a short video clip concerning upcoming elections.
- Chris went over future upcoming seats. We have potentially three open parent seats. No action item is needed.
- Possible council split with the elementary and high school was covered by Chris. In the best interest of the school we would like to keep the councils together. However, it is possible to divide council up with two separate councils.
- Discussion on Title 1 budget for teachers.
- Brainstorm ideas for 2020-2021 school year. Plan for a January brainstorming meeting. Parent ideas - investment in performing arts. Music teacher has been good, immense talent in the community for performing arts. Drama club, expanding music beyond choir,

after school programs. Beverly Sorenson Art Grant potentially used for music, Mr. Barrett will clarify before the vote. Grants or funding that the parents can petition for. Mr. Barrett proposed .3 FTE school counselor approx. \$25,000. We have shared a full FTE with WCHS, this is likely not possible next year. 60 Chromebooks approx. \$250 each are needed to be updated for the next school year. Fund Empower high level professional development for teachers. U of U reading tutors. 1 FTE teacher.

- Next meeting will be in January.
- Daisy dismissed meeting at 11:04.