

Community Council Meeting
September 11, 2014

Attending: Heather Bennett, Donna Drown, Emma Hansen, Larry Madden, David Sanchez, Nicki Hack, Cyd Grua

Excused:

Minutes

1. Staff updates
 - a. Teacher sharing w/ Horizante (James Morse)
 - i. And two periods in the morning at SLCSE
 - b. Due to Justin Powel Leaving
 - c. Mary Shores replaced Daniel Despaine
 - d. Genesis Ortega -
 - e. Alondra
 - f. Jade – early acceptance
 - g. Miz (tutoring) –
 - h. Sydnee Stringham – replaced Jessica Dwyer
 - i. Ph.D.
 - ii. Alt route to licensure
 - iii. High school biotech class
 - iv. 8th grade science
2. Transportation
 - a. Very crowded
 - b. The after school program likely alleviate problem
 - i. After school program bus is problematic because of afternoon traffic
 - c. Currently evaluating activity bus to gather data
3. Grant Update
 - a. High school youth support group
 - i. Dr. Hack wrote
 - b. Relationship w/ Planned Parenthood
 - i. Prevention component opened door for more after school monies
 - c. Youth Star
 - i. \$9000 previously from SLC School Dist
 - ii. \$60,000 grant
 - d. Stem Link Grant
 - i. One time grant
 1. \$47,000 from STEM action center
 - a. professional development
 - b. stem center
 - c. biotech equipment

- d. started to put together the fab lab
 - i. purchased 3D printer
 - e. will revamp middle school to incorporate them in the fab lab
 - e. STEM after school Grant (SLCSE is one of the school serviced)
 - i. Paying for tutors after school
 - 1. 3 after school
 - 2. 2 before school
 - ii. Paying for stem club – every other Monday
 - 1. Astronomy
 - 2. Opportunities to go to the University
 - f. Working to recruit 10 students from SLCSE
 - g. Donors Choose program
 - i. Received almost \$50,00 per year due to many teacher generated grants
 - h. So far SLCSE has the capacity to manage additional grants
- 4. Lands Trust
 - a. Funds used to pay for reading program
 - b. Targeted services based on reading tests
 - i. Grouped by reading level
 - ii. Next Steps
 - iii. Higher Steps
 - c. Accommodated most students in in need
 - i. Students from all grades were included
 - ii. Lower grades were more largely represented
 - d. SLCSE attempts to not pull students from core classes
 - e. David – concern about bullying
- 5. Singling students out either for honors or because they receive differentiated services is minimalized with the intent of minimizing competition and increasing collaboration
- 6. Title One school
 - a. Based on fee waivers
 - b. 50% approximately
 - c. money used for all students
 - d. status as charter school enabled Title One designation
 - e. Home school compact
 - f. teacher qualifications – access to information/letters to parents
- 7. Discussion regarding dispersement of Title One funds through SLC School District
- 8. After School Programing
 - a. Dr. Hack
 - i. New programs
 - 1. Drama
 - 2. Dance
 - a. Hip Hop (Fall)
 - i. Includes history of Hip Hop

- b. Modern (Spring)
 - 3. Service Learning Club
 - 4. Lego League
 - 5. Math Circle
 - a. May include students from other schools
 - 6. STEM club
 - a. Every other week
 - 7. See website for others
 - b. Data not available yet regarding after school programs
- 9. Increased focus on preventive measures initiated by teachers
 - a. Teachers often contact after school Study Hall and sign students up who need extra assistance.
 - b. Parents may initiate progress reports as necessary and the follow up at home
 - c. Powerschool is an effective way to keep abreast of student's progress by parent
 - i. Contact school to set up password
- 10. Purposes of Community Council
 - a. School improvement plan
 - b. Land Trust funds
 - c. Feedback to school
- 11. Discussion of Concurrent Enrollment possibilities lead by Cyd Grua
 - a. Possible classes
 - i. General financial literacy
 - ii. Psych 1010
 - iii. Intro to Economics
- 12. Meeting adjourned shortly after 6:00 p.m.

Next meeting October 9, at 5:00 p.m.