

East Meadows SCC Minutes

September 21, 2016

Start time- 11:30 am

Members of School Community Council who were in attendance: Principal Celeste Gledhill, Jamie Pintar, Alison Bennett, Nichol Lyman, Aly Dart, Jill Perrins, Wendi Barton, Amy Baird, Matt Seeley, and Angie Gorrell.

Parents: LaDawna Cherepovich

1. **Welcome/Opening Statement**
2. **Introductions:** Each member of the School Community Council introduced themselves.
3. **Election of Chair and Co-Chair**
 - Jill Perrins nominated Aly Dart for SCC Chair
 - Wendi Barton second Aly Dart for SCC Chair
 - Aly Dart nominated Wendi Barton for SCC Co-chair
 - Jill Perrins second Wendi Barton for SCC CO-chair
4. **SCC Guidelines**
 - Principal Celeste Gledhill discussed what Trustlands money can be spent on and what cannot. (Refer to handout on additional page)
 - Principal Gledhill also discussed a new responsibility for SCC members called "Safe Technology and Digital Citizenship" (Refer to handout on additional page)
5. **Gifted**
 - *As part of the "gifted" initiative we are starting an advanced learning math class in grades 3-6.*
 - *We have many programs in place that offer support for those students that have learning difficulties, but this math class is occurring in an effort to provide learning opportunities for students on the higher end of the spectrum.*

- *We are part of five schools in our district that will be adding this option to our regular school day. Several schools in our district piloted this program last year.*
- *It is important to understand that there are no nation-wide or even state-wide standards for identifying gifted students. However, the definition of gifted education as given by the US Department of Education is as follows: "Children and youth with outstanding talent who perform or show the potential for performing at remarkably high levels of accomplishment when compared with others of their age, experience, or environment."*
- US Department of Education, 1993
- We have identified three measures to help us identify students that may be successful in this program. These three measures are SAGE scores, COGAT scores (a test that helps measure how students think and analyze information), and teacher recommendation. For a student to be placed in this advanced learning math class, they must qualify in at least two of the three measures listed previously.
- There is one teacher on each grade level that will be teaching this group. Mrs. Aguero will be teaching the third grade group, Ms. Lambert will be teaching the fourth grade group, Mrs. C. Andersen will be teaching the fifth grade group, and Ms. Hammari will be teaching the sixth grade group. These teachers have attended district trainings and are collaborating with teachers that are teaching similar classes in other schools in the district.
- Parents will be notified via letter stating which class their student will be in.

6. School Start time Discussion

- LaDawna Cherepovich (parent) stated that she was concerned about our school's start and end times. She feels that because our school gets out within minutes of the junior high that it creates a problem for parents to

pick up kids from both schools. She asked if start and end times could be altered.

- As a SCC we voted on whether or not we should adjust time, not adjust time, or seek for further information.
- The voting results were: 5 members voted that we keep the same times, and one person voted that we seek further clarification.
- Matt Seeley motioned to keep start and end times as is
- Aly Dart second the motion.

7. Questions, Comments, Concerns

- Matt Seeley stated that he was excited to see how the math gifted program will impact student performance in the future.

8. Closing Statement

Meeting ended 12:25 pm

November 16, 2016

Start time- 11:30 am

Members of School Community Council who were in attendance: Principal Celeste Gledhill, Jamie Pintar, Alison Bennett, Nichol Lyman, Aly Dart, Jill Perrins, Wendi Barton, Amy Baird, Matt Seeley, & Angie Gorrell.

~Welcome/Opening Statement

~SCC Guidelines and Handbooks:

- Jamie Pintar handed out 2016-2017 SCC Handbooks to all members and did a quick review of the guidelines. All members have

already received SCC training on a district level during the month of October.

~School Assessment Data:

- As a council we looked at our schools and districts data. We looked at SAGE results and compared the results from the last three years since we have started using SAGE.
- Students in grade 3 will take Writing, Language Arts, and Math
- Students in grades 4-6 will take Writing, Language Arts, Math, and Science
- In 2015 the Writing test was added to SAGE.
- According to the State and District Data, East Meadows is holding their own in all areas of SAGE
- East Meadows faculty is currently being trained in CMI math. They are on their second year of two-year training.
- East Meadows has always excelled in Science according to the data.
- Students need to score at least a "3" on a 4 point scale in order to be considered proficient.
- According to the School Grading system, East Meadows scored a "B" grade. They have kept the same grade for the last two years. The School Grading System looks at progress.
- The school data can be found on the website: datagateway.schools.utah.gov

- Teachers are required to submit a Student Learning Outcome (SLO) each year. This goal is to demonstrate growth and progress.
- Teachers are also required to submit a Professional Growth Plan (PGP) each year. This is a plan on an area of teaching that each individual teacher wants to improve on.
- Last year, 69% of our students made one year's growth on our DIBELS assessment. Our district feels that anything over 40% is considered successful.
- Language Arts/Math is our greatest need for continued intervention.
- An intervention technician has been hired to help in classrooms so teacher can teach intervention to students in need.

~School Board Presentation in December

- Aly Dart will work with Principal Gledhill on what needs to be addressed to the school board. 6th grade will also demonstrate what they have learned from the GAINS program (Growing Arts in Nebo Schools)

~Questions, Comments, or Concerns

- Angie Gorrell asked what the SAGE writing test looks like and how are the students prepared for it.
- Principal Gledhill asked each member to start thinking about our School Improvement Plan
- Amy Baird asked if our district is funding technology or are grants from UEN?

- Nebo Foundation will match funds with matching money.
- Wendi Barton asked about the "Leader in Me" program. She had heard that it was extremely pricey but there are grants that are given through VIVENT.
- Wendi Barton also asked if the district is giving funding based on assessment data.
- Amy Baird asked if any parents were concerned or upset about how their students placed for the gifted program.
- Jamie Pintar and Principal Gledhill will follow up with Ryan Kay, Principal at Park School, about the "Leader in Me" program.

~Closing Statement

- Wendi Barton motioned to adjourn the meeting. Jill Perrins second the motion.

Meeting ended at 12:35

East Meadows SCC Minutes

December 14, 2016

Start time- 11:30 am

Members of School Community Council who were in attendance: Principal Celeste Gledhill, Jamie Pintar, Alison Bennett, Nichol Lyman, Aly Dart, Jill Perrins, Wendi Barton, Amy Baird, Matt Seeley, and Angie Gorrell.

1. Welcome/Opening Statement

2. School Board Presentation in December

Aly Dart will represent our school. She will be talking about our school's Reading Improvement Plan and Math. She will also talk about the many different agenda items that our school has been a part of. These items include: Recess before lunch, homework vs. no homework, using Trustlands to pay for intervention technicians, and safety of our school. Aly also talked about what our Trustlands money is being used for. Lastly, Aly will talk about how SCC is a place where teachers and parents can collaborate together to make our school a better place.

Nichol Lyman, sixth grade teacher, will talk about how 6th grade has implemented the GAINS program into their curriculum. They implement dance and music into their Ancient Egyptian unit. They also use dance and music in their science core.

3. Filtering

Nebo School District uses a filtering product called "Content Keeper." Internet use is constantly being monitored by the district and continually creates logs and reports. To log onto the internet at the schools, a person would need to log in as a guest, employee or student.

Each year, our school attends an assembly called "Netsmart" that is funded by the governor.

4. Trustlands Plan

We use our Trustlands money for reading and math. We are always asking the question, "What is our greatest academic needs?"

Goal #1: Professional Learning Communities

Goal #2: Technology (Equipment, software)

Goal #3: Language Arts (Books, leveled library, AmeriCorp, maintenance, Star Tutoring, Intervention Techs)

Goal#4: Fine Arts: No money is coming from Trustlands. Grant money is being used for Fine Arts \$2000/year.

5. School Drop off and Pick up Safety

SCC members want to help with monitoring before and after school drop off. Will discuss this topic at next month's meeting.

6. Questions, Comments, Concerns

Aly Dart asked what CMI that the teachers always talk about is. CMI (Cognitive Math Instruction) is a two year course that is funded by the district. All teachers are required to attend the after school classes and participate in multiple lessons studies over the course of two years. CMI teaches teachers how to teach math more in depth and facilitate higher level thinking.

7. Closing Statement

Jill Perrins motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Aly Dart second the motion.

East Meadows Elementary

School Community Council

January 18, 2017



EAST MEADOWS MUSTANGS

Members of School Community Council who were in attendance: Jamie Pintar, Alison Bennett, Nichol Lyman, Aly Dart, Jill Perrins, Wendi Barton, Amy Baird, Matt Seeley, and Angie Gorrell.

Start Time: 11:30 am

1. Welcome/Opening Statement

2. Drop Off /Pick up Follow-up

Celeste Gledhill, principal, will send an email out through Parent Link to remind parents and students about drop off and pick up safety at our school. Starting on Monday, teachers and members of SCC will monitor drop off/pick up. They will hold up signs to remind parents where they can and can't park and how to use the drive through lane. There is a problem with parents parking on the side of the curb and blocking cars from getting by. Principal Gledhill has contacted the District Office concerning this problem. This summer, maintenance will paint lines in the parking to clearly show parents where they can park, drop off/pick up students, and drive through.

3. School Improvement Plan Work Session

As a council, we brainstormed the needs and wants of our school. Here is a list of the needs/wants from SCC: more technicians, enhancing the gifted and talented program, *Leader in Me* program, field trips to Art Museums and plays/performances, offering a foods program, overnight trips, STEM programs, more science, reduce class sizes, more PE classes, and outdoor track. .

Our current budget is allocated to the following items: salaries for reading tutors, AmeriCorp tech, intervention techs, professional development and subs, software licenses and renewals, and technology.

Proposed items to be added: Propose to discontinue AmeriCorp technician and allocate more money for one of our current technicians to have more hours and take our reading intervention.

4. Options Field Trip to *Lego Batman* Movie- Rated PG

Nathan Melton, options teacher, asked if SCC could give permission for him to take his options class to the *Lego Batman* movie.

Amy Baird motioned to approve

Aly Dart second the motion for approval.

5. Questions, Comments, Concerns

Matt Seeley, SCC member, asked for more information about the gifted and talented programs in our district.

6. Closing Statement

Matt Seeley motioned to adjourn meeting

Wendi Barton seconded the motion.

End Time: 12:30

***Next Meeting February 22, 2017**

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School Community Council

February 22, 2017



EAST MEADOWS MUSTANGS

Members of School Community Council who were in attendance: Principal Celeste Gledhill, Jamie Pintar, Alison Bennett, Nichol Lyman, Aly Dart, Jill Perrins, Wendi Barton, Amy Baird, Matt Seeley, and Angie Gorrell.

Start Time- 11:30 am

1. Welcome/Opening Statement

2. Drop Off /Pick up Follow-up:

Celeste Gledhill, principal, sent out an email through Parent Link to remind parents and students about drop off and pick up safety at our school. For one week teachers and SCC members volunteered to help monitor drop off/pick up. They held up signs to remind parents where they can and can't park and how to use the drive through lane. There was a problem with parents parking on the side of the curb and blocking cars from getting by. Principal Gledhill has contacted the District Office concerning this problem. This summer, maintenance will paint lines in the parking to clearly show parents where they can park, drop off/pick up students, and drive through.

3. Trustlands Allocation

As a council, we discussed how the Trustlands money should be allocated. We will continue to allocate money for the following items: Professional Development, Technology, Technicians salaries, software and licenses

4. PBIS

PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support

SCC members discussed what they felt would be needed to implement a school wide Behavior plan. The plan needs to focus on decreasing bullying, positive behavior and respect for all. We identified several behaviors, both positive and negative, and how they are being addressed. Teachers, staff, and parents will continue to discuss a positive behavior plan and give ideas on what would make it successful. Teachers will be meeting during collaboration times to discuss implementation of a plan.

5. www.ourschoolsnow.com

This is an initiative that Utah State Business are trying to get funded for schools. They are trying to put an increase of $7/8^{\text{th}}$ of 1% on sales tax.

6. Questions, Comments, Concerns

No questions, comments, or concerns at this time.

7. Closing Statement

Motion to adjourn meeting by Aly Dart

Matt Seeley seconded the motion.

End Time-12:25 pm

***Next Meeting March 15th**

East Meadows Elementary

School Community Council

March 15, 2017



Members of School Community Council who were in attendance: Principal Celeste Gledhill, Jamie Pintar, Alison Bennett, Nichol Lyman, Aly Dart, Jill Perrins, Wendi Barton, Amy Baird, Matt Seeley, and Angie Gorrell.

Start Time- 11:30 am

1. Welcome/Opening Statement

2. Finalize Trustlands

SCC finalized the discussion on Trustlands money. The money will be appropriately allocated to meet the needs of our school. The School Improvement Plan has four goals that are linked to Reading, Math, and Fine Arts. Aly Dart motioned for the 2017-18 School Improvement Plan to be approved and Jill Perrins seconded the motion.

3. PBIS

Reviewed our previous discussion about implementing a PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Support)

SCC members continued their discussion on what they felt would be needed to implement a school wide behavior plan. The SCC members reiterated that the plan needs to focus

on decreasing bullying, positive behavior and respect for all. The Plan also needs to be followed by all students, teachers and other staff. SCC will follow up on this discussion at the beginning of the 2017-18 School Year.

4. Questions, Comments, Concerns

Amy- Asked how long SCC terms are? Answer: 2 year

A "Thank you" email was sent to parents for helping with Drop off/Pick up

Wendy Barton commented on the school play. She thought it was very well put together and all the parents, student, and other volunteers did awesome!!

5. Closing Statement

6. Motion to adjourn meeting by Angie Gorrell

7. Jill Perrins seconded the motion.

End Time- 12:30 pm