

Bryant School Community Council Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2019 - Bryant Library

In attendance: Larry Madden, Matt Smith, Andrea Butterfield, Robert Guido, Janet Barnette, Merisa Johnson, Jana Edwards, , Caryn Willardsen, Phillip Baker, Nekquai Baker, Jen Daily- Provost, and Nate Salazar.

1. Welcome and review meeting norms.
2. Review and Approve March Minutes - Defer to May (copies unavailable at meeting - sent electronically)
3. SCC and Principal Chair Meeting Update
 - a. SCC Spotlight by Jill Baley @ Glendale
 - b. Presentation by James Yapias from the Salt Lake City Education Foundation (brochure passed around; Bryant has received several grants from the foundation).
 - c. Presentation from Stacey Briggs provided an update about changes to the School Improvement Process from the Utah Board of Education
 - i. Discussed new school performance categories: Comprehensive School Improvement (CSI) and Targeted School Improvement (TSI) for lower performing schools.
 1. Information is very new and is just being shared with principals. Updates to follow in future meetings as we learn more.
 2. Concerns about RISE data and its interpretation impacting CSI and TSI scores from parent Phillip Baker. General concerns from faculty members about new testing platforms and the associated challenges. Testing data is not expected to be available until the fall; council will revisit.
 - d. State approved the Teacher and Student Success Act funding that will send 98 million to Utah schools. SLCSO will create guidelines for spending the monies; decisions are expected to focus on student improvement/achievement gap at the local level.
4. EPP Priorities and LANDTrust 2019-20 Plan - signature pages reviewed by Matt Smith
 - a. Brief review of LANDTrust goals:
 - i. Continuing funding for the early after school academic bus (4:30 PM) allowing students to stay after for programs, meetings, and tutoring on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
 - ii. Supporting community and relationship building through funded home visits by Bryant faculty.
 - iii. Supporting professional development for our faculty, with a focus on trauma informed teaching and student engagement.
 - iv. LANDTrust funds will support additional teacher FTE for mathematics
 - b. Electronic signature pages should be forwarded to members soon.

5. Review Current LANDTrust Budget - Larry Madden
 - a. Equipment devices/sensors have all arrived and are in process of being inventoried.
 - b. Surplus of approximately \$6000 because the 4:30 PM after school bus met ridership minimums established by the district and transportation will cover the costs instead of LANDTrust. This surplus will be carried over into the 2019-20 school year.
 - c. Comment from parent Phillip Baker inquiring about Latinos in Action program possibilities at Bryant. Group discussion about previous challenges with scheduling as a reason why the program was not offered; council was positive about the program's potential to serve Bryant students and will continue to discuss.
6. SCC Election Discussion
 - a. Elections in the fall.
 - b. Several parent members will be leaving Bryant SCC at the end of this school year including Phillip and Nekquai Baker, Jana Edwards, Betsy Kleba, and Merisa Johnson.
 - c. Discussion about reaching out to feeder school SCCs and making a personal request to friends or community members who would consider serving.
7. Administrative Update
 - a. Calendar options were rejected (no fall break). Expect a revision.
 - b. Request for SCC to approve two overnight science trips for the 2019-20 school year. These trips would allow 13-20 kids to travel to Spruces and Capital Reef. Clarification that these trips are not 100% confirmed but must be approved by SCC as starting point.
 - i. Motion to approve by Jana Edwards, second by Robert Guido. No additional discussion. Motion carries.
 - c. Staffing update
 - i. Caralyn Britten has been hired for 8th grade math
 - ii. Ben Chavez for Social Studies
 - iii. Brittany Dame for science
 - iv. Caraline Ingram will replace Bill Long in counseling
 - d. Final Comments/Concerns
 - i. Comment from Jodi Brings about course offering descriptions
 - ii. Comment from Phillip and Nekquai Baker about school yearbook. Mr. Madden indicated that Bryant is producing its own yearbook so that one could be offered to all students. In past, only ~50 students purchased. Comment from Nekquai about concerns about quality differences between in-house and contracted products.
 - iii. Comment from SLCSB Board Representative Nate Salazar voicing concerns to our Superintendent about a proposal to close Bennion when the SLCSB does not have a policy about closing schools. Nate expected decision to be revisited.
8. Meeting adjourned - 8:15 AM