

**Backman Elementary
School Community Council**

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 20, 2020
5:00 pm

Attending:

Anali Alarcon (Chair)
Heather Newell (Principal)
Matt Dawson (Translation)
Shannon Wilson (Notes)
Stephanie Gibson
Loleta Mohi
Kershaw Benally
Yoon's iPhone
Marcelo Santos
Ines Lazalde

Motion:

No motion to accept minutes; no previous minutes.

Principal's Report (Heather Newell):

Back to School Survey

- Good spread of how well remote learning is working.
- Regardless of covid numbers 2/3 would prefer to be safe
- 12 Remote, half undecided, 13 Come Back

Community Report (Karina Lugo Villalba):

- Internet and devices seem to be resolved for the most part.
- We are doing several porch visits to follow through, especially for new and hub children.
- All of us are overwhelmed, frustrated, wanting to be back, but we want to keep our children and their families safe.
- Mentoring between siblings is strong.
- Children are gaining a greater appreciation for school.
- We want to support local business owners. We want to help them continue to be okay.

New Business:

Review Land Trust Plan and Budget (Heather Newell)

- \$68,000 money in revenue from state management of land in portions throughout the state.
- We need to set a goal and decide how we are going to spend it
- Numerous stipulations:
 - Currently paying for three 6th grade teachers
 - We will raise our science, math, and language arts scores in 6th grade by 4%
 - Heather shared budget slide.

Budget

| 2020-21 Backman Elementary School # | 104 | 1155100104 | 0030 | School Improvement 1033 | Family Involvement 2208 | Title I 2209 | Title III Emerg. Immig 2230 | School LAND Trust 4222 | TSSA 4678 | Total |
|---|-----|------------|--------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------|---------|
| OBJECT | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Program Expense Allocation | | 82,836 | 24,608 | 126,762 | 4,692 | 292,898 | 11,617 | 68,289 | 51,845 | 663,547 |
| Program Revenue Allocation | | 76,960 | 25,000 | 135,022 | 3,240 | 280,290 | 11,750 | 58,055 | 49,966 | 639,953 |
| Prior Year Carryover | | 0 | 0 | -8,295 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5,484 | 50 | -2,761 |
| Educator Salary Adjustment | | 5,218 | 0 | 0 | 1,565 | 13,097 | 0 | 4,696 | 1,565 | 26,141 |
| TOTAL PROGRAM REVENUE | | 81,878 | 25,000 | 126,727 | 4,805 | 293,357 | 11,750 | 68,235 | 51,581 | 683,333 |
| | | (958) | 392 | (35) | 113 | 459 | 133 | (54) | (264) | (214) |

House Bill 58 – Anti Vaping (Shannon Wilson)

On-going services for all students related to skill-building around making good choices and problem solving, as well as resiliency related to vaping. We also have additional services for parents and plans for those who may already be experiencing use.

Day of the Dead Plans (Karina Lugo Villalba)

Day of the Dead Parade on November 6, 2020 at 4:00 to 5:00

– use teachers to invite parents

Stations for dancers and presentation of the Day of the Dead Celebration - modeling a little town

Backman Avenue Village

Children dancing in costume – lines for social distancing

Stations:

- Butterflies and Flowers
- Photos and Food
- Project sharing – Altars to celebrate ancestors

We are looking for volunteers to help us make this magical!

- Color a mask – take a mask home.

Paying attention to details

People are willing to help

Halloween Plans

Lunch will be an hour and a half on Friday, October 30, 2020

See costumes in cars and teachers will distribute some treats.

School Emergency Plan and COVID Updates (Heather Newell)

- Two guidelines for Salt Lake City School District to reopen the buildings for school.
- They are measuring at mid-term and end of the term.
- Positive Test Percentage below 5% for 7 consecutive days. Today we are at 17.5.
- Number of tests per 100,000 individuals needs to be less than 10. Today it was at 46.
- The survey for the district did show that more parents wanted to keep their students home to be safe rather than get them back.

Thank you for your support in completing surveys! It's critical that Backman voices are heard.

Every week our staff members are bringing in a few students.

Backman is being very careful.

We may have a very small thoughtful system of individual/small group instruction in the building, but we really want to support our teachers in serving all of our students, not distracting them with a hybrid model.

How is the district communicating the superintendent's message and information about the return to school?

- Email
- District website
- Text instruction to go to the email link (text messages can only be sent if parents allow permission – Sharon is working on these updates.)

Safe Technology

The district does have filters on their computers that students are checking out of the school.

The district blocks some things, and it sends a report to Heather about "inappropriate" things that students are looking at.

Things that may be concerning get passed along to the teacher to see what is happening. Parents are also informed as well. We don't want to catch students being "bad" but remind them that we are able to watch what they have been doing on the computer.

Students also receive training about staying safe with social media even though they cannot access it on district computers.

Next SCC meeting: Tuesday, November 17 at 5:00 pm