

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Date: April 10, 2023

Time: 3:45 pm to

Place of Meeting: Meeting conducted via Zoom

Council Members Present: Mike Johnson (Chair), Sarah Chatterton (Vice-Chair), Dan Cramer (Secretary), Michelle Mattson, Tara Minert, Tiffany Rowberry, April Johnson, Mallory Poole, Vangee Watts, Jennifer King (Principal), Brittany Hughes

Council Members Absent:

Guests Present: Kelly Taeoalii

Agenda items:

1. **The meeting was called to order by Mike Johnson, at 3:47 pm. A motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on 3/13/23 was made by Sarah Chatterton. The motion was seconded by April Johnson. The motion passed unanimously**
2. **Discuss feedback/observations from White Ribbon Week.**

Positive reception from parents and kids. Enjoyed the activities that came back and performed the practices during daily routines. Enjoyed the focus on screens and brains and the fact that young kids could get exposure to these ideas. Nice to hit different elements of the White Ribbon Week program. Something good to reinforce what is being said at home. Principal King described the literature that could be made available which is targeted K-12 but the higher grade material would be stickered closed and distributed to parents. Principal King will draft letter to be signed by Community Council Chair and Vice-Chair to present out as endorsed by Community Council.

3. Discuss Prevent Child Abuse Utah Presentations.

Teacher feedback provided to council members about the presentations that were given. Tara Miner was able to attend the presentation with a friend and had all positive things to say. There may have been an opportunity to arrive a little earlier and set up. The topics were addressed in an age appropriate way. They addressed discussing this with 'safe adults' and were able to say

parents should be the safe adult, but if not you should find someone else. Good balance for the message. Opportunity for more information sent home to parents for them to review and learn from. Appreciated the ability to review the curriculum before hand and it lined up with what was presented. Sarah added that there might have been another opportunity for a follow-up reminder with parents to provide the right questions and terminology on the day, or closer to the presentation. Could have been more emphasis on parents attending so folks would be informed? Need to balance that against too many parents may change the dynamic and have kids not speak up. Necessary to understand the group dynamics at play. Perhaps a video could be provided or a zoom link given? Worth doing again and with curriculum repeating every other year would it be possible to stay on the every other schedule. We will provide that feedback and examine options for virtual visits and video for future sessions.

4. Update SCC members on the Standard Response Protocol for School Safety Measures that are coming in 2023-24.

All schools will be getting vestibules which provides a buffer between front door and entrance. Additional safety measures provided including a standard response protocol for schools. Principal King attended conference to get better unification of language used with crisis response. Protocol can be found on the web (<https://iloveguys.org/The-Standard-Response-Protocol.html>) Many of the protocols already in place at Viewmont as described including Lockdown, Evacuate, and Shelter. Additionally, **Hold** (close doors and keep hallways clear, not necessarily a emergency, just keeping privacy, space etc) and **Secure** (close and lock doors, prevent anyone coming in from outside *formerly Lockout*) will be used. Can move through levels as needed. **Lockdown** drill coming next year. **Evacuate** will be practiced during the Great Shakeout later this year. **Shelter** involves keeping kids in the building due to outside factors. This is the same training/vocab that emergency responders will be using as well.

Training for this will start in June for educators. Liaisons will be brought in from Emergency teams. All administrators from District down will be trained and then bring that back first thing to train

faculty and all employees are involved in this. More training to come and Principal King will be reporting back on that as it happens.

5. Discuss Supports for English Learning Students.

Topic introduced by Tara and looking for ways that parents could help with the TSI. Assessments have been done but we won't get the results till closer to the end of the year. Programs are available to these students to get foundational understanding and then practice in basic English. Mallory Poole is looking for any volunteers several days a week to practice academic language. Parents would not need to speak Spanish and will be paired up with ELS (Arabic, German, Micronesia languages also represented at the school). Having conversations with someone to practice is very helpful. Suggestion made for sign ups for play dates, family dinners to help with conversation. Will look into something like that for next year. Possibility for after school club? Principal King will look to see if there's a better time to come volunteer to converse. Tara Minert and Brittany Hughes will get together and flesh out some of these ideas/suggestions.

6. Members of SCC discussed the dates for promoting SCC membership, advertising elections, and conducting elections for the 2023-24 school year.

- Principal King shared that per the adopted SCC Rules of Order, the Viewmont community council will need to elect 3 parent members and 1 teacher member beginning in the 2023-2024 school year.
- If we follow the same timeline as this school year, we would need to advertise for teacher and parent candidates for Viewmont's School Community Council from August 14th to August 27th, 2023.
- Interested persons would complete the [Candidacy Form](#) and submit it to Principal King.
- If there are more candidates than positions, under the guidelines from the State Land Trust Board, we must advertise our elections for 10 school days. If needed, an election will be advertised from August 28th to September 8th. August 23rd is Back to School Night where more info can be provided about SCC.
- The Viewmont election window would then be held September 11th through September 13th. Needs to be filled by the 20th of September.

This is the [Elections Checklist](#) that the SCC follows.

A motion was made to approve the nomination and election dates as presented above was made by Vangee Watts. This motion was seconded by April Johnson. The motion to adopt the dates was approved unanimously.

7. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Dan Cramer. The motion was seconded by Vangee Watts. The motion carried unanimously at 4:49 pm .

We do have a meeting scheduled for May 8, 2023 *if items for discussion are presened.*