

COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Date: 3.18.24

Time: 4:06 pm to 5:15 pm

Place of Meeting: Library (Viewmont Elementary)

Council Members Present: Mike Johnson (Parent, Chair), Sarah Chatterton (Parent, Vice-Chair), Taryn McDonough (Parent), Stacey Orton (Parent), Michelle Mattson (Parent, Secretary), Tara Minert (Parent), Tiffany Rowberry (Parent), April Johnson (Teacher), Steffie Williams (Teacher), Vangee Watts (Teacher), Jennifer King (Principal)

Council Members Absent: N/A

Guests Present: Kelly Taoalii

Agenda Items:

1. **The Viewmont SCC Meeting was called to order by Mike Johnson at 4:06 pm.**

2. **Approve from the 2.12.24 SCC meeting.**

- A motion to approve the minutes from the February 12, 2024 meeting was made by Vangee Watts and was seconded by Sarah Chatterton. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **Vote on the 2024-2025 Land Trust Plan.**

- A motion to approve the Land Trust Plan was made by Vangee Watts and seconded by April Johnson.
- 11 members voted to approve the Land Trust Plan and 0 members voted against the plan.
- 0 members abstained from voting.

4. **Prevent Child Abuse Utah Materials and SAFE UT materials and Mrs. Preece (Social Worker) addressed questions and comments from members of SCC**

- Mrs. Preece shared the website for MCSD's school based mental health, Parents can go here to find valuable information or to schedule mental health or resiliency screenings. The link is: <https://mentalhealth.murrayschools.org/>
- She also shared the links to the following legislation pieces surround prevention:
 - [53G-9-207 Child sexual abuse prevention](#)
 - [53G-9-702 Youth suicide prevention programs](#)

- Members asked if the opt out form could be sent electronically instead of a paper copy requiring a wet signature.
 - Also asked if parents could just sign the waiver during registration.
- Screenings are done 4 times a year for kids for parents who are worried and want to check in on their kids. Information about the screenings is sent out via Parent Square with dates.
- Members suggested having a table at the back to school night next year for parents to receive and review this information for Prevent Child Abuse and Safe UT. It may help parents feel more comfortable letting their kids sit in on these lessons.
- Vape prevention will be implemented for 6th graders soon as well.

5. Sharing of TSSA Plan for 24-25 school year

- Goals 1 and 2: Funds allocated include salaries for ELA reading paras, math paras and a BLT deep dive. These paras are a huge benefit to the kids at the school.
- Goal 3 is a behavior goal instead of an academic goal. (This goal is not a part of the Land Trust Plan so it will not be outlined on State Land Trust website.)
 - A parent asked how to learn more about Second Steps through Parent Square messages, teacher weekly updates and through the school district website (Teaching and Learning Department).
 - Mrs. King will post a reminder about Second Steps in an Upcoming Eagle Update
 - TSSA budget also allowed for student advocates and provides for before-school and recess supervision.

6. Share White Ribbon Programming (2nd week after Spring Break)

- The theme for white ribbon week will be “I’ve got the Power” and is about digital citizenship and internet safety.
- Materials and Parent Square information will be sent home too so that Parents can further the communication with students.

7. Feedback on Recess Volunteers - how it is going, needs from volunteers, etc.

- Parents enjoy coming to the recess to volunteer and introduce new games.
 - Suggestion was made to do it less often so parents don’t get worn out and it’s more of a novelty.
 - It is good for the kids who don’t get a lot of parent interaction at home to have the adult interaction at recess.
 - Possibility of introducing themes: Dads, Grandparents, etc.
- Recess times were discussed as feeling really short. The school follows the state policy on recess:

- 15 minutes structured grade level recess and approx. 10 minute lunch recess (after eating time)
- Mrs. King mentioned that more students have been choosing to stay inside the cafeteria lately to continue eating rather than going outside to recess. This is a newer trend so we will continue to watch this and see if it continues. We are happy they are eating their lunches, however.
- Request was made for kids to learn more sports/activities during PE, like kickball, etc.
- Teachers are using chromebooks for just a limited time during school to avoid overuse of computers.

8. Behavior - Standing Discussion Item, as needed

- The team discussed positive feedback that the principal and teachers handled issues this month really well.

9. Adjourn.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vangee Watts and seconded by Taryn McDonough at 5:15 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

The next SCC meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 22nd at 4 pm in the library.