## **Meeting Minutes**



Mountain Creek Middle School School Community Council Meeting Thursday, January 22, 2025, at 4:00pm (school library, <u>Zoom Link</u>)

In attendance: Josh Flores, Jarrett Rasmussen, Lindsey Hinkins, Whitney Glassman, Brooke Hyer, Greg Steck, Micheal Glenn, Valerie Hatch, Debbie Snow, Nancy Dresser, Jake Hinkins

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Approval of minutes from Nov. 6, 2024 Action item: Unanimous approval of November minutes.
- 3. School business (Principal Glenn)
  - a. Budget review
    - i. Trust Lands Budget allocations should be higher next year based on ballot measure that was approved in 2024. On track to meet the budget goal, ~\$100K remaining.
    - TSSA budget allocations: ~\$267K remaining. Majority of the budget is for salaries. Many staff members have been able to attend conferences for continuing education. Remaining balance should be able to cover chromebook purchases.
    - iii. Budget Changes: No changes this month.
    - iv. School musical (Anastasia) April 23-26
  - b. Safe walking routes
    - i. Reviewed safe walking routes. State software has a glitch and the site is not working. This is being worked on.
    - ii. For more information: <u>saferoutes.utah.gov</u>
    - iii. City will not approve flashing school lights at this time. Speed limit for the area is already low.
  - c. Enrollment projections and permits for next year
    - i. Projected for 2025-26: 1286 students (1310 current students 24-25)
      - 1. 7th grade: 450 students (Currently 423)
      - 2. 8th grade: 421 students (Currently 423)
      - 3. 9th grade: 415 students (Currently 465)
    - ii. Requested 20 permits. 10 Granted.
    - Lengthy discussion about projected enrollment and how to plan for the next year. With enrollment down we may be able to increase permits. Goal is to retain current staff.
  - d. Fees for 2025-26 As per new state code <u>53G-7-503</u>
    - 1. (JSD's current fees <u>information</u>): Many fees are not allowed under new state law if they are required for graduation. Anything not required for graduation can have a fee associated but will have a limit. Elective classes and supplies will be hard to fund. Hopeful that this legislative session will address the deficit.
    - 2. <u>25-26 Proposed Fees</u>

- 4. Cell Phone or any electronic Policy: Action Item
  - a. 2nd offence requires a conversation w/ a parent and someone to pick up the phone. There have been instances when someone is not available to pick up the phone for the student. Administration asked for approval for the cell phones to be locked in a box w/ single spots and kept overnight if needed. Phones can be given back at the end of the day if a conversation has been had with a parent and the phone will be needed that evening but will need to be returned in the next morning to fulfill the requirements.
  - b. Council voted unanimously to approve the policy.
- 5. Chinese New Year: 1/22/2025. Food, activities and performances.
- 6. Student Services update (Joshua Flores)
  - a. Schedule Changes for 2nd Semester are being reviewed when reasonable.
  - b. Registration Counselors are working on getting classes/ Master Schedule ready for next year. Starting early helps w/ anticipating needs for next year.
  - c. Using Arena Scheduling for class changes next year was proposed. Discussed pros and cons. No decision was made. Administration to consider different options and bring a demonstration to the council meeting.
  - d. Counselors are using email or phone calls to communicate w/ parents when their child meets w/ the counseling center or uses Wellness Corner.
  - e. February 25th is orientation for 9th graders entering high school.
- 7. Items from the Community Council/Miscellaneous: Council decided on a length of 90 minutes for meetings in the future.
- 8. Next Meeting: March 12th, 2025 from 4:00 5:30pm