

## Oquirrh Elementary School Community Council Meeting Minutes--2/8/2011

In attendance: Nancy Ward, Jimmy Anderson, Randy Clay, Kathy Clay, Kelli Rutledge, Matt Jennings. Absent: Dan Martinez and Mona Thomas

Meeting called to order 4:20 pm and minutes from 9/4/11 were approved.

All members from last meeting were to view trust lands video and all have done so.

Discussion of fundraiser and options to sell inventory of Oquirrh shirts still on hand was discussed. A booth during parent teacher conferences on February 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>; then another on March 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> was suggested. Kelli Rutledge will check her schedule and see if she can be there and will also contact PTA for some parent volunteers. A letter will be drafted to go home with the students in the Monday Mailer so that they are aware shirts will be available.

Trust lands report has 2 outstanding items the committee needs to address. One was an update on monies spent and then the other is how to spend the remaining balance. Community council authorized purchase of computers for computer lab and that construction is now complete. Council has approximately \$15,000 left in fund that has not been assigned. Council discussed options of either purchasing additional computers for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and should there be any remaining after that we could provide 2<sup>nd</sup> grade with computers. Since the committee did commit to technology for the 2010-2011 school years this would be a wise use of funds. 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> had computer systems funded through Title 1 and 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> was given the Waterford Lab leaving 3<sup>rd</sup> grade in need of some upgrades. A motion was made that all remaining funds will be allocated by Nancy Ward to the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade for new computers in each room and should there be any remaining funds 2<sup>nd</sup> grade would receive that for new computers also. All members agreed and the motion was approved.

Safety committee updated the committee that the snap plan is complete and will be delivered to Columbia Elementary by Kelli Rutledge on Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>. Safety committee is having a recurring issue of parents not properly dropping off and picking up students in the proper manner. A flyer has been made to send home with students reminding parents of our safe drop off and pick up procedures in addition to the parking lot being manned with aids to catch parents not following the plan. Another issue safety has addressed with success is children playing on the stairs of the portables. Finally, the safety committee issued a fire drill that was described as "messy" and unsatisfactory. This will be revisited with better instruction for teachers and students. They will also implement a plan and drill for earthquakes and "man with a gun" lockdown drills. Safety will update the committee how that goes.

McGruff Safe House stickers update from 9/4 meeting. Kathy Clay spoke with Jerilynn Gordon and both have concluded that no one is doing this program nor in compliance with program any longer. A motion was made to discontinue this program until a need arises again. Motion was approved.

Trust lands money for the 2011-2012 has been received and there is \$27,000 to allocate for next year. SCC discussed that we could continue with our emphasis on technology;

professional development; reading; or math. In order to support school CSIP goals Oquirrh needs to improve in Math and Reading. Council discussed how we can make a difference in either of those areas. It was mentioned that due to budget cuts coming in 2012 there will not be funding for literacy aids and how valuable they are for our reading program. Council made a motion to fund 3 literacy aids for 2011-2012 school year. Motion was approved.

Council reviewed and went over SCC requirements and expectations to ensure we were following procedures and meeting expectations of the School Board and Community. In a line by line review it was thought we were not supporting the Local School Board and the reading achievements plan. Upon further review that is incorrect as board receives all minutes of meeting and thus we are compliant and reading achievements is done by the district not the council.

Council has been made aware that parents are concerned with students hurrying through if not altogether skipping lunch in order to get to recess faster. It has been suggested that students be given recess first then lunch second. Butterfield Canyon Elementary has implemented this program and seems to be succeeding. Nancy and Matt will take time in the next 2 weeks to visit Butterfield to see how it's working and report back.

Finally council has suggested that we convey to parents and teachers that they can bring any concerns or suggestions to the council and we are happy to discuss. Council will set up a suggestion box and send out a notice advising parents that we are available and open to new ideas and concerns.

Next council meeting was set for 3/29/2011 so we can sign the new Trust Lands plan; Review the mid year summary; and begin the process for Community Council Elections. Kathy Clay will post on website.