

Silver Mesa School Community Council (SCC)

Meeting #3

October 5, 2016

7:15 a.m.

Present:

- Dereck Peterson, Parent
- Hollie Pettersson, Parent (Chair)
- James Barron, Parent (Vice Chair)
- Jill Landes-Lee, Parent
- Julie Fielding, Principal
- Laurie McBride, Parent
- Lisa Coleman, Teacher
- Maria Bailey, Teacher
- Scott Poulsen, Parent

Excused:

- Nick Hintze, Parent

Meeting Minutes: Approved meeting minutes for September, with 2 additions:

- Documentation of the actual vote for SCC chair
- Clarify the request to update CSIP Trustlands goal for math

Update on action items: All were completed last month.

Elect Vice Chair: The council voted to elect James Barron as SCC Vice Chair.

Targeted goals for our SCC: Moved to November meeting.

Bell Efficiency Presentation: Principal Fielding shared the results of a district-wide bell efficiency study. The purpose of the study was to re-evaluate bussing costs and retain more bus drivers by creating more full-time options for employment. The two options for decision include:

1. Change start and end times at schools by up to 15-minutes. Saving over 700k in annual costs – will modify bell times for 40 schools – Silver Mesa would start at 8:05 and end at 2:40 (15-minutes earlier)
2. Change start and end times at schools by up to 30-minutes. Saving 1.2 million in annual costs – will modify bell times for 38 schools – Silver Mesa would start at 7:50 a.m. and end at 2:25 p.m. (30-minutes earlier)

Concerns were raised over the lack of options for high school start and end times. Much research has been conducted demonstrating that older students benefit from a later start time. Silver Mesa's council members will consider contacting board members via email.

Data Review: Principal Fielding shared recent (fall) screener scores for k-5, in both reading and math. Reading goal is 80% (measure is DIBELS Literacy). Grades are on track, with kindergarten and 4th grade relatively low compared to other grade-levels (measure is DIBELS Math Composite). The screener includes content for the whole year, but the benchmarks are aligned to allow for typical growth across a year.

Update on school happenings: Principal Fielding is paying close attention to the reverse lunch schedule. She has made 2 adjustments:

1. Students will no longer line up outside to transition from recess to lunch
2. The distribution of time between recess and lunch will be adjusted by a couple of minutes to increase eating time. Shhhh, students are not being informed of this change.

Close attention will be paid to how students respond to these subtle tweaks to the routine.

Digital Citizenship and Internet Safety:

- Sally (CSD's Educational Technology Specialist) shared a tip sheet on Internet Safety and Digital Citizenship. She will assist with Silver Mesa's STEAM night in January, providing information for parents as to how to create safe internet use at school and home. All teachers have received specialized training on internet safety and digital citizenship. CSD utilizes NetSafe Utah and Common Sense Education curricula. CSD provides training for parents on how to create safe technology environments. The model for CSD is to have more restriction via filters for younger children and strategic opening of the filters as the students progress through the grade levels.
- Victoria Llogo (2nd grade teacher) is the school's liaison with the district for technology. She shared the plan to have Silver Mesa internet safety certification. This will require that at least 6 teachers involved in the planning to share information with classes through www.common sense media.com with a strong focus is on safety and complete a report on what the school is doing to support students being safe while online.
- Net Smartz – will do an assembly at the school on internet safety for all students this year.
- SCC would like to share a flyer with families about internet safety. We want it to be distributed sooner rather than later. We cannot wait until the STEAM night. *See assignments.*

For next meeting (November 2nd @ 7:15 a.m., Silver Mesa Library) topics for agenda:

Assignments:

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- ✓ Julie will work with Sally and Victoria to make sure families get the internet safety flyer in the next few weeks. James and Scott will help with this task.
- ✓ Hollie and James will work with Julie to pre-plan for next month goal setting work.