

Mt. Mahogany Elementary School Community Council Notes November 17, 2020

Members virtually present via Zoom: Jeff Shirley (Principal Member), Marshell Olson (SCC Co-Chair), LuSeba Atkin (Employee Member), Kate Larsen, Whitney Waldron (SCC Chair), Emily Hickok (Parent Member), Niels Fugal (District Community Council Member), Mallory Christensen (Parent Member), Alyson Jones (employee non-voting member), Jordan Raddatz (employee non-voting member), Scott Gonsalves (employee non-voting member)

Members absent: None

- **1. Welcome** Mr. Shirley welcomed the Council members and thanked them for their continued service to our school community.
- 2. Celebrations—Mr. Raddatz let the Council know of our recent success we had as a school with our Penny Wars, which raised \$1600 to give to KSL Quarters for Christmas. Mrs. Carlson shared the success we are having with instructional coaching and the data that we are collecting to benefit our students. Ms. Atkin shared recent success her team had in sharing and diving into data they gathered from multi-syllabic words. Mrs. Olson celebrated that her team is already implementing strategies they noticed the students needed from their recent data dive. Justin Gaines and Kate Larsen shared recent success from our Turkey Trot, which raised about \$3000 funds to help PTA. Whitney Waldron shared how much excitement her children shared from our Penny Wars and other school events.
- 3. School Safety Review Mr. Shirley shared with Council our school safety plan and safe walking routes, and mentioned how Gov. Herbert's recent order has restricted some of our after-school activities, but for the most part, we will continue doing what we are doing in wearing masks, sanitizing, and social distancing as best we can. After dialogue on these documents, it was motioned that we accepted these documents and the Council voted unanimously in favor. We also discussed the responsibilities of the SCC to act as our School Safety Committee and it was voted unanimously in favor that we continue doing so. Mr. Shirley let the Council know that we are doing our safety drills differently this year, with videos created to show the students what it may look like in an emergency, and how they should respond. Teachers are conducting drill with just their classes due to Covid-19 restrictions.

- 4. Digital Citizenship Review The Council discussed how to meet the requirements from the state regarding a curriculum about being responsible online. The Council decided that we create our own curriculum and incorporate it into the computer class instruction with Mrs. Smith and our upcoming White Ribbon Week. Mr. Raddatz also said he was going to create videos for the students to watch in class during White Ribbon Week to help the students understand the importance and how to apply digital citizenship in their lives.
- 5. Upcoming Holiday Activities The Council had dialogue on our upcoming holiday activities, which will be restricted due to Covid-19 and the guidance we have received from the Utah County Health Department and the District. There will be no parent Christmas Sing this year due to these restriction. Instead, Mr. Shirley said he will create fun sing-a-long videos for the whole school to participate in during the last week before Winter Break. The Council was also notified that Christmas parties will look differently this year since we are limited on volunteers coming into our building for everyone's safety.
- **6. Other Community Items for Discussion**—Niels Fugal asked if we are helping the students to understand the importance of using crosswalks correctly, especially near State Street. Mr. Shirley mentioned that we stress to the students the importance of watching, looking, and being vigilant in any crosswalk they ever encounter. Niels also shared his appreciation for the teachers for all they are doing to help the students despite all the challenges we are facing. Mrs. Olson asked how we were doing on masks and if we should do another mask drive. Kate Larsen said she would check with PTA.
- 7. Meeting was adjourned at 4:50pm. The next SCC meeting will be held virtually on Tuesday, January 26, 2021 at 3:45pm.