

Grantsville Elementary School  
Community Council Minutes  
September 12, 2017

1. Welcome and Thanks for Being Here! In attendance: Maria Whitworth, Debbie Burkhard, Jennifer Critchlow, Megan Hansen, Danielle Pennington, Karen Nelson, Valaree Shields, Stacy Bleazard, Mark Ernst, Marie Denson, Ronda Silva
2. Approve August Minutes Maria Whitworth motioned to approve, Megan Hanson seconded the motion, motion carried unanimously
3. Tax Information: Mark Ernst & Marie Denson Encouraged members to support and let others know Video about Tax Levy: District could receive an additional \$7.7 million if a .001 tax increase is approved. (\$4 million increased income and \$3.7 million state matching funds)  
TCS D salaries 11% below average, cost: \$9/month for \$200,000 home  
Question: Do charter schools receive any of this? No Does pay raise only go to new teachers? No-to all staff  
Usage: Support Staff, Offset Benefit increases, majority to retain teachers from going in to Salt Lake  
Monday, 9/18 Open House at GHS for public
4. Elect Chair and Vice Chair  
Duties: Can choose level of involvement; input into how to spend funds, sign paperwork, add items to agenda  
Chair: Maria Whitworth nominated Stacy Bleazard, Jennifer Critchlow seconded. No other nominations; motion carried unanimously Vice Chair: Jennifer Critchlow nominated Megan Hansen, Maria Whitworth seconded. No other nominations; motion carried unanimously
5. Needs and Successes Successes: Jennifer Critchlow – Student Council Maria Whitworth-Principal’s 200 Club  
Needs: Maria Whitworth-Volunteers Discussion: For example A large non-DLI 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class has 1 volunteer & DLI class has many. Typical to DLI grades. Mrs. Pratt asks volunteers to sign up for 1<sup>st</sup> grade rather than for a class. Need to change culture of volunteers to sign up where needed rather than for a particular class. Mr. Zaleski will address. Problem shows up with Guest Readers and Goodies: many students do not have anyone come to read to them. A solution: Grantsville High will send as many students as needed to fill the gap. (Suggestion: buddy system school wide with GHS students.) Note: Student Council has been encouraged to give back to the school.
6. Oh, the Places You’ll Go Literacy Night Sept. 20, 6:30 – 8:00p.m. Different Countries will be spotlighted throughout the school. Student Council will stamp passports at each country. Will have to have completed passport in order to enter the lunchroom for the Food Court.
7. Training: <http://www.schoolandtrust.org/> Go to this website to learn more about Community Council & Land Trust.
8. Data: VPort (reading) the longer a student is in our school, the closer to grade level they become GES 3<sup>rd</sup> grade #1 in district Discussion: value of all day pre-school & kindergarten SAGE scores dipped last year (language arts can be attributed to a change in testing & math is being addressed)
9. 90 Day Plan: Focus on the following to increase scoring: Fluency, Accuracy, and DAZE; Math Facts; Make Recess a happier place
10. Safety, Walking Plan Discussed Student Council peachjar request to not park in the drop off zone
11. Incentives for Students: Principal’s 200 (catch students doing something good-prizes), PAW (student of the month), Track Star (student nominated, teacher approved- build and bulletin board and game with principal), GAIN (improve in behavior/academics-make video), GES Guess Who (drawing/prize), Successory Notes
12. School Climate and Student Council Tabled
13. Fundraisers and PTA T Shirt Fundraiser signed Sold about \$7700 in Grizzly Gear. If 10% profit, then \$770. Expect more. Suggest selling again around Christmas
14. Food=Nutrition and Fitness Tabled
15. Questions and Concerns J. Critchlow question: Why do students need to leave the playground by 3:45?  
Response: no supervision School is responsible for the students until they leave the playground.  
Question: Why are book fair and parent teacher conference not on same day. Response: Even though GES is 2<sup>nd</sup> largest book fair, we do not have a say in dates for book fair and district chooses dates for PT Conference.  
Question: Who pays for costs of DLI program? Response: State funded. Does DLI affect class size? Yes, DLI takes up to 60 students per grade. Remaining students must then be divided between teachers. If there are 50 left and 2 teachers, 25 per class. If there are 60 left, then 30 per class.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. in the Library

