eSchool Community Council Meeting November 17, 2016 Minutes

- 1. Attendance
  - a. Present: Debra, Maren, Whitney, Royce, Megan, Brad
  - b. Absent: Martell, Kyle
  - c. Brad will look into rules regarding changing out a member for one who is not coming
- 2. Last month's minutes approved
- 3. School Improvement Plan (2017-2018)
  - a. Actually isn't due until the spring.
  - b. Gifted/talented money—use it for students who finish a curriculum level and ready to move on to next grade.
    - i. Identify gifted students. Those who finish curriculum for the entire year by Feb 1<sup>st</sup> can move on to next grade level.
    - Full-time students get an extra elective in elementary grade levels. Each brick and mortar school has special things—STEM, art programs, etc. Updated school improvement plan to include this.
    - iii. Megan will look into getting this idea approved. (Can students take an additional elective?)
  - c. Professional Development
    - i. Brad spoke with Karen (District professional development specialist) about Visible Learning. Karen thought it would work to have a special session for eSchool when the conference is held in June, but the actual person that is coming hasn't made contact with Provo yet. Brad will move forward with it and stay in touch with Karen.
    - ii. We'll probably hold it in auditorium of PHS or THS so staff, parents, etc. can come.
- 4. Final school improvement plan report from last year
  - a. Megan reviewed the goals and results and the money spent with the council.
  - b. When the district approves the final report, Megan will post is on the website.
- 5. Use of diagnostic programs

- a. Debra wondered if MTH and Harmony had been reminded/encouraged to use diagnostic programs. Brad, Megan, and Gary (Asst. Superintendent) met with leaders of MTH and Harmony about using these programs. Use of these programs will be mandatory in the 2017-2018 school year. Both programs agreed to reiterate its availability. Not sure that it happened. Debra will contact Matt (MTH) and Nancie (Harmony) to see if participation has increased.
- b. Diagnostics not listed on MTH resource page. Why not?
- c. At the end of the year, gather data on eSchool students who use iReady (or other program) to see percent improvement. Use that as advertising or encouragement for others to use it.
- 6. How do eSchool students' SAGE scores compare to state and district?
  - a. Looked at 2016 SAGE reports.
  - b. Math and English are typically at or above state levels
  - c. Science is our lowest, which is why it's on our school improvement plan. There aren't many/if any online programs that target improving science.
    - i. Can we team up with universities? Local military bases? Science companies? Maren will talk with her husband, an engineering professor, about this.
- 7. This year's school improvement plan (2016-2017)
  - a. Goal to increase socialization and communication through field trips across the state.
  - b. Countywide regions? Ask for a couple volunteers to set up local group.
    - i. Davis County, Weber, Logan, SLC, Manti/Ephraim, St. George, Moab, Vernal.
  - c. Have parents self-identify their area or the area they want to participate in.
  - d. Survey questions
    - i. Are you interested in field trips?
    - ii. How often?
    - iii. Which of these cities would you be willing to travel to?
    - iv. Would you be willing to volunteer (with others) to set up field trips in your local area?
      - 1. Name, e-mail.

- v. Megan will create survey and check with committee members before she sends it out to parents. 8. Next meeting, January 18<sup>th</sup>.