

Provo eSchool Community Council Meeting
February 15, 2018 at 3 pm
1591 N Jordan Ave, Provo UT

Minutes

1. Welcome and Attendance
 - a. Present: Debra, Royce, Brad, Maren, Megan, Ceri
 - b. Absent: Rhonda, Doug
2. Questions/Comments and Approval of January 17, 2018 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Approved
3. Discussion of Current Year SIP Goals:
 - a. Current SIP Goal #1--- \$30k (Online reading programs or other programs to help increase scores)
 - i. Ceri asked teachers what online programs they'd be interested in (Abc Mouse, Starfall, CuriousWorld, Scholastic online)
 - ii. Motivation is an issue—getting parents/students to use programs
 - iii. What program is comprehensive?
 - iv. What if we created our own reading program to incentivize students? If they read so many minutes a day per week, pick a book out.
 - v. Teach A Child to Read book; All About Reading/All About Spelling; Achieve 3000 (gives material based on individual's reading level); Barton Reading Program—hire someone that is Barton-trained
 - vi. Let parents choose an app from approved app list for their own student
 1. How do we pay for apps for other people?
 - a. You can gift apps from one account to another
 2. How do we know parents/students will actually use those apps
 - vii. Combine with STEM goal—parents can choose Stem or reading app
 - viii. We could take a look at BOY vs MOY DIBELS data to see who is struggling and who is improving.
 - ix. Could we offer early reading programs to incoming kindergarteners? Is that allowed? Find out at district.
 - x. If we gave teachers money to help pick the correct apps or books for students, that would be specialized.
 1. How do we handle that with MTH and Harmony teachers? We can't just give them money. How do we do that?
 - b. Current SIP Goal #5—\$65k – (minus teacher salary) Ideas for Writing Workshops and/or courses offered to increase Language Arts scores
 - i. Typing program. Students, teachers have asked about that.
 - ii. Buy Achieve 3000, typing program is great for grades 3 and up
 - iii. Get graduate students at BYU/UVU to look over individual student's work
 - c. Current SIP Goal #6 STEM: \$30k--- Ideas for STEM projects, workshops, field trips, camps, online courses.
4. Discussion on teacher/parent communication and relationships

- a. Parents are feeling like they don't connect with teachers. They don't feel like they know the teachers care.
 - b. Parents have impression that the teachers are so busy. That's why they don't use them more. People resources are too scarce.
 - c. Teachers don't reach out to families that are doing well. How can we change that attitude?
 - d. Parents and teachers have different perspectives. Parents feel like teachers aren't reaching out enough. Teachers contact parents and get little response; hold Zoom meetings weekly and same 3 students come.
 - e. Some think we need to hire another teacher or mentor and some think we have resources that aren't used well.
 - f. Parents want teacher to contact them about specific student data
5. Action Items
 - a. Maren—come up with form to filter STEM workshop requests
 - b. Megan and Brad—stipulations and policy → only in Utah, cost ceiling,
 - c. Come up with list of programs to buy right away
 6. Adjourn Meeting until next time, March 15th at 3 pm in GTC Conference Room