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Union Middle School

School Community Council Meeting Notes September 15, 2016

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Thursdays, 6:00 to 7:30

September 15th

October – District Training

November 17th

February 16th

March 16th

April 13th

In attendance: Brooke Rauzon, Kelly Tauteoli, Lynn Nelson, Christensen, Bryan

Christian Davies, Kristen Andrea Mismash, Misti Timmerman, and Cassie

1. Welcome from Principal, Kelly Tauteoli.
2. The group unanimously elected committee members to serve in the following positions:
Chair: Kristen Messenger
Vice Chair: Misti Rosenbaum
Secretary: Shauna McClendon
3. Trainings in October – Committee members received the district SCC training schedule for October. New members were encouraged to attend the SCC101 session. Kelly said the administrators will do their best to attend sessions with committee members.
4. Change to School Logo – Jeff Olson, CSD Graphic Artist, spoke to the SCC about the need to update the school logo. The district does not have the rights to the Bobcat image on the logo, therefore, he will need to design a new logo. He had council members describe what makes Union unique. Council members said that UMS is unique, diverse, inclusive, and innovators. We also wanted to focus on the name Union, that is represents our cohesiveness as a community. Jeff will do some sketches and then seek further input from UMS parent groups and the faculty. When the logo is complete, we have the option of having a big “Reveal” of the new logo. One possibility is during Parent Teacher Conferences in February, 2017.

5. SAGE Scores – UMS showed tremendous growth this past year, particularly in the 6th Grade.

| School Year | SCHOOL | Points Earned | Points Possible |
|-------------|---------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 2014 | UNION MIDDLE | 318 | 600 |
| 2015 | UNION MIDDLE | 309 | 600 |
| 2016 | UNION MIDDLE | 356 | 600 |

6. Cell Tower Budget – We receive approximately \$3000 from CSD cell towers each year. The committee unanimously approved spending for the following three categories: PBIS Student Rewards, Field Trip/Festival Buses, and Teacher Recognitions/Expenditures. Any of these areas that have a single expenditure over \$1000 would need individual approval.
7. Proposed Cell Tower at Union Middle School – CSD has been approached by Verizon to place a cell tower on the Union Middle School property. Committee members said that the money that the tower generates is very helpful to the school. Principal Tauteoli explained that Verizon is looking at a location adjacent to the school on the northwest end of the building. The school is bordered on that edge by an apartment complex (although the apartments are not close.) The committee unanimously voted to have Verizon proceed with a study of that site. The one question posed was what would happen if the school was rebuilt? Would that be a problem with a cell tower onsite?
8. School Bell Study - CSD commissioned a study to see if they could increase efficiency of busing by altering school bell schedules. By altering start times by 15 or 30 minutes, the district could save a significant amount of money (up to a million dollars.) Consolidated routes would also make it easier to hire and keep bus drivers. Both of the proposed options would move Union’s start time by 5 minutes. Parents were not concerned about a five-minute change. However, they noticed that Hillcrest High School would start earlier. They thought this might be difficult for students and parents. Community Council members had the following two questions:
 1. Would the reduction of school buses impact fieldtrips?
 2. How many buses does the district have in total? (It’s hard to judge the impact of the reduction of buses without knowing the total number.)

9. Middle School Schedule Committee – Andrew Schafer explained that the state has increased some of the CTE requirements for middle school which has necessitated another look at the Middle School schedule. A committee is currently meeting to look at all the options. All the middle school principals are on the committee as well as teachers. Andrew Schafer and Marcus Chen are representing Union Middle School on this committee. The committee will be presenting options to the Board of Education in late October or early November. The committee has determined that they want to preserve the middle school teaming structure, protect instructional time, provide time for remediation and enrichment during the school day, and provide elective options for students. Andrew acknowledged that there is never a perfect schedule.

10. Land Trust Amendment: Changes in Land Trust Budget – Brooke Rauzon explained that two factors have necessitated a revision in the Union Middle School 2016-17 Land Trust Plan budget: 1) Our allocation from the state was greater than anticipated, and 2) we reduced the number of adult aides, decreasing the allocation in the Salaries and Benefits category.

Continuous School Improvement Plan (CSIP) goals will remain the same, we have only reallocated money to support these goals.

The Union School Community Council (SCC) proposes the following changes to our current Land Trust plan:

Expenditures Within Each CSIP School Goal Category

Goal 1 – Literacy (ELA and Social Studies) *70% of the students will be proficient on the Union Common Formative Assessments.*

- \$16,000 Reading Aides
- \$600 Conference Registration for teachers to attend the Utah Middle Level Association (UMLA) Conference
- \$1300 Student Planners to Support Learning
- \$4000 Academic Fieldtrips tied to State Standards \$1250 Professional Books for Teachers
- \$3400 Building Leadership Team – Substitutes for two full-day meetings
- \$8500 Substitute Teachers and Summer PD to support teacher professional development and collaboration
- \$9000 Technology for Teachers and Students to improve teaching and learning (Including Chromebooks, Apple TVs, document cameras, and IPADS, etc.)

SUBTOTAL: \$44,050

Goal 2 – STEM (Math and Science) *70% of the students will be proficient on the Union Common Formative Assessments*

\$4000 Academic Fieldtrips tied to State Standards

\$8500 Substitute Teachers and Summer PD to support teacher professional development and collaboration.

\$9074 Technology for Teachers and Students to improve teaching and learning
(Including Chromebooks, Apple TVs, document cameras, and IPADs.)

SUBTOTAL: \$21,574

Goal 3 – PBIS

\$220 Middle Years Newsletter

\$1000 PBIS Posters and Banners

\$1750 PBIS Student Rewards (Including, but not limited to, plaques, pins, and certificates, etc.)

SUBTOTAL: \$2970

GRANDTOTAL: \$68,594

Committee members unanimously approved the Land Trust Amendment (i.e. the changes in the Land Trust Budget.)

In October, we will attend the District SCC Trainings

Next Meeting at Union Middle School: Thursday, November