**Heartland Elementary**

**School Community Council Meeting**

**Wednesday, January 12th, 2022 / approx. 5:00 p.m.**

**Attendees:** Buddy Alger (Principal,) Joel Atwood (sitting in for spouse, Janiece-absent,) Michelle Whitchurch, Marlane Forsyth, Jessica Stowe (Vice Principal,) Kate Walker, Glenna Roundy, Andrea Robinson (Chair,) Jessica Wright

\*excused: Whitney Fenech, Janiece Atwood (Secretary-prepares minutes from the notes of Michelle and Joel)

**1. Welcome and any additional Introductions:** Andrea

**2. Approve last meeting minutes:** Andrea-minutes have been posted

Glenna 1st, Marlane 2nd

**3. COVID-19 Update (Masks, Substitutes, etc.):** Buddy

We were "almost normal" before the mask mandate, but now in January, everyone

has been hit hard, almost all schools in JSD. Our numbers still ok on JSD dashboard.

Low exceptions on mask wearing, but hard for reading. Subs within the building has

been a positive experiment, despite "trials." Always room for more subs, can be

Heartland-specific.

**4. Dress Code Update:** Buddy

Zero discipline issues (to office level,) fewer hoodies now (because they can.) Seems

to have a positive effect on anxiety, etc. Positive parent conversations as well

**5. Parent Teacher Conferences (Student Promise Proficiency Scales and Report Cards):** Buddy

Fall report-note came home with kids before PTC's. Will be 2 days this Spring-mixed

preferences, but ok. Some parents concerned about "1's," but most could understand

explanations from teachers' notes. Spring PTC's-March 16th and 17th.

**6. Digital Citizenship:** Buddy

Teachers liked it so we'll keep doing it. Some stuff was coming through Peachjar, but

wasn't supposed to. Hope the info made it home. Better in Fall, (than Spring) re-

upped the info for next year, same parent info in PTA/school Newsletters, includes

apps to watch for, reminder at end of the year before testing.

**7. Safe Walking Routes/Assistant Principal Review:** Jessica

No update, no info on it. Can we put up flashers until bridge is placed? There are 10+

students from Gardner Village apartments to get a crosswalk. Map reviewed with

walking route-attached map notes 3 areas of caution (caution signs on map)

1) bridge across 70th-please express concerns to

David.Murphy@WestJordan.utah.gov. Jessica will check with Greg Davenport (Lance

Everall.) Buddy's input-alternate solutions will be proposed, etc.

2) Bora Bora/1300 W.- would like a crossing guard, sidewalk portions missing, cars use

shoulder to pass

3) school crossing behind school-no signage by the crosswalk, lights desired. Traffic is

too fast behind school.

4) corner of Erickson Park & Callie-no stop/yield sign, etc. (decreased in priority

compared to others)

walkway survey for future concerns due Jan. 21st

**8. Land Trust Plan 2022-23:** Buddy

Review-1/2 of salary PE teacher + 1/2 of salary art teacher = full time (other half

supplemented by other funding,) for reading targeting intervention. Teachers and

kids are loving it. PE teacher is now US citizen. Good PE activities, good control of

kids. SCC input if desired-open for discussion, teacher and parent input has been

positive, especially for PLC time for teachers. New PE and art teacher hires are very

well received here, classroom control is very effective

**9. Flexible Fridays (Feb. 11, Apr. 29):** Buddy

Mixed feelings. Aids and subs were used to help with classrooms at last Flex Friday

so teachers could prep for PTC and related assessments, Promise Standards, etc.

There were 6 different activities offered at last Flex Fri. Next one is Feb. 11. There

was a homework packet "What you know" matters more than "What you do." Packets

are about what they're learning. Not getting a lot back, but not keeping track of who

turns them in. Not doing packets while they're here; only sent home to kids who

aren't coming on Flex Fri.

Snow Day-unpredictability, but teachers were prepped; opportunity for feedback.

Some concerns expressed about internet/computer/power accessories. Biggest

value is for kids to feel loved/cared about. Personal communication for kids goes a

long way.

Snow removal-concerns about city property (only sidewalk) expressed, but state

contractors control this. We did what we could do; Rocky shoveled 16-18 hours.

**10. Future Agenda Items**

Follow up on safe walking routes info.

**Meeting Adjourned: approx. 6:00 p.m.**

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 9th, 2022 @ 5:00 p.m.**