

**Oquirrh Hills Middle School
School Community Council Minutes
December 2, 2020 - 5:30 pm – via Zoom**

Attendees: Susan Carlsen, Larry Furr, Becky Skolmoski, Ron Mortenson, Nicole Campbell, Shannon Warnick, Brandy Westwood, Lon Littell, Xochi Burgoyne, Katie Murray, Jen Jarrard, Jennifer Fullmer, Donna Hunter and Nicole Thurmond.

1. Welcome – Donna Hunter
2. Approval of minutes from last meeting
 - a. First – Nicole Thurmond
 - b. Second – Lon Littell
 - c. Unanimously approved
3. Status of school – Donna Hunter
 - a. 19 reported cases – 3 actually transmitted at school
 - b. Mask compliance – kids have been good – issues with some 9th grade boys
4. Honor Roll
 - a. 9th grade – 58%
 - b. 8th grade – 61%
 - c. 7th grade – 63%
5. Total “Fs” – 219
 - a. 91 in person students
 - b. 128 online students
 - c. 25% of online students not showing up for class – teachers, counselors and administrators are reaching out and tracking absences
 - d. Lon mentioned that several students have multiple ‘Fs’
 - e. Nicole mentioned that most are accounted to the same students
 - f. Brandy mentioned that most online students are not being taught by OHMS teachers. She teaches online and most of her students are not from OHMS. Grading is under district policy.
6. Trust Lands Money
 - a. \$25,226.67 total spent – two months behind but on budget. 85% of the money left. Very pleased with the results.
7. Safety – Jen Jarrard
 - a. Go kits in every classroom
 - b. Honey buckets for hygiene scattered around the school
 - c. Reunification plan – school occupiable
 - i. Staged by grade level in auditorium (9th), gym and cafeteria (7th and 8th)
 - ii. Runners will be posted to collect request forms and identifications
 - iii. Currently working on engaging attendance office
 - d. School building unsafe – rally point behind the school
 - i. Signs on the Northwest fence perpendicular and spread out
 - e. Poor weather – seminary building – more detailed planning in the works

- f. Assemble with current teacher or previous teacher if in class
- 8. 8th Grade Supplemental Math (formerly Study Skills)
 - a. 18 enrolled 1st semester
 - b. Last year there were 5 D, 7 D+, 4 D- and 4 F.
 - c. First quarter of this year, 3 D, 10 D+, 2 D- and 1 F.
 - d. 6 students have been moved out due to improved skills
 - e. 4 students have been added for quarters 2-4.
 - i. Students reviewed each quarter.
- 9. 9th Grade Supplemental Math
 - a. 12 students enrolled for the first quarter
 - b. Last year there were 14 D, 7 D+, 9 D- and 4 F.
 - c. First quarter of this year, 3 D and 3 D+
 - d. 2 students have been moved out due to improved skills
 - e. 8 students have been added for quarters 2-4.
 - i. Students reviewed each quarter.
- 10. 7th Grade Study Skills – 3 adults helping in the class
 - a. 16 students enrolled first quarter
 - b. No D's or F's
 - c. 1 student has been added
- 11. Two academic advisors – they are doing great!
 - a. Lunch school – limited to 12 to maintain social distancing and no eating allowed
 - i. 255 students attended
 - b. Engaging on Zoom and tutoring sessions
- 12. Synchronous learning
 - a. Attendance went from 60% to 95%!
 - b. Students turned work in every period every day!
 - c. A few Zoom bombers. ☹
 - d. Learned lessons from what worked with other schools
 - e. Has been successful but not ideal
 - f. Dr. Godfrey – teachers stretched thin – no bandwidth for everyone to do Zoom.
- 13. Questions
 - a. What about teachers working from home when the students are online learning (Jennifer)?
 - i. Those who are sick or quarantined but work to keep it as if they were still at school.
 - ii. Things have been done to support teacher morale: taco truck on Monday, ugly Christmas sweater day
 - b. Would teachers prefer to be online (Katie)?
 - i. Lon – Feels like the teachers need to be there and there is no replacement for in person learning.
 - ii. Brandi – Sees that point, but attendance issues have been very challenging. Those quarantined were not getting as much help. Now (with online synchronous learning) she has almost 100% attendance in all classes. Assignments are being turned in.

- c. Are we prepared for the next closure (Camille)?
 - i. Criteria for virtual learning
 - 1. 15 cases
 - 2. 10% of student in quarantine
 - 3. 20% absenteeism for two consecutive days (not to include a Monday or Friday).
 - ii. Discussions between Superintendent and Mrs. Hunter.
 - iii. There will be a plan and communication by 1:00 the day before we go virtual
 - iv. May need one day to prep – possible to use a waiver day
 - v. We are ready to switch if required.
- 14. Gratitude expressed by Becky for the smooth switching last time and for all the efforts being made.
 - a. Jennifer will reach out to parents on the committee and Mrs. Hunter to see if we can find some way to express our appreciation for the work of the teachers and staff.
- 15. Motion to close
 - a. Motion to close – Lon Littell
 - b. Second motion – Brandi Westwood
 - c. Unanimously approved