School Community Council/ PTA Combined Meeting 18 October 2012

Present: Starlene Holm, David Stephenson, Tricia Melville, Austin Cowley, Paula Hill, Christina Ahlstrom, Aimee Ellis, Kelly Taeoalii, Natalie Hill, Rachelle Funk, Mindy Widdowson, Dee Lawler, Kimberly Kosorok, Kristy Cook, Alison Moschetti, Krista Isaacson

- 1. Presentation from Starlene Holm with information from the District:
 - a. Discussed the Mission, Vision, and Values of the ASD in detail, item by item
 - b. Talked about PLC (professional learning communities) and the revolutionary effect they have had in education
 - c. Talked about Areas of Focus and how they are all centered around student learning. Originally, these areas of focus were developed by a collaboration of community members. There is a plan to revisit these areas of focus this spring with a new collaborative community meeting called "What Counts.
- 2. Bond Allocations were discussed
 - a. Retrofitting of older schools
 - b. New Middle School in Eagle Mountain
 - c. New High School in Lehi (projected completion date:2016)
 - d. Lehi High School will be rebuilt in stages

e. There was a discussion among those present who voiced concern about overcrowding at Lehi HS. Starlene assured us that in spite of construction and potential upheaval, a great deal of care and planning is being taken to preserve the security of the students and that their learning environment is maintained.

3. New Common Core Standards—this plan has been developed in order to address a growing academic gap between the preparedness of a graduating college senior and the academic expectattions for an incoming college freshmen

a. The district curriculum department has been implementing the new curriculum in stages with a very specific plan and they have developed curriculum maps for the various content areas.

- b. Last summer, grades K-5 attended a training for language arts and grades 6-12 were trained in math topics.
- c. Next summer, these trainings will be flip flopped
- 4. There was a period of time for Q & A

a. Natalie Hill asked about how the reading testing program worked and wondered how to find out the reading level of a student who testing above average on the DRA.

b. Mindy asked about what should parents expect or their children who are above average. Teachers and administrators addressed this question by explaining what happens at school and what teachers do to address all student needs.

c. There was a discussion about Open enrollment in the upcoming year.

d. Starlene advocated that there should be lots of high quality communication between parents and teachers.

5. Continuation --- SCC agenda

David and Kimberly attended an SCC Training Meeting and gave us an overview of what happened. They cited that there were some changes in SCC policy and they told us what they were:

6. We were encouraged to watch the required videos before our next meeting in November.

Here are the links for the two videos we are required to watch for the School LAND Trust program.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vBgoSdPUj1Q http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v6vgbt66oi4&feature=player_embed ded

7. We have enough computers now for a second computer lab. It will be located in the empty classroom on the 6^{th} grade hall.

8. We have a grant which was written by Jenn Payne and which she won! It will involve 4th graders working together with BYU design students to create computer apps. More details will come soon about it.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:40 pm