

Westfield Elementary School Community Council Minutes September 6, 2013

In attendance:

Salonna Thomas

Joy Alldredge

Ed Greene

Carla Merrill

Suzanne Evensen

Kristin Eberting

Misha Peay

Julie Peterson

Dave Dimond – ASD research and evaluation TSA

David Smith – ASD director of research and evaluation

UCAS test results

Representatives from the school district visited and explained the test results and how those scores are calculated

- Westfield overall received 467/600 points
- In the category of proficiency Westfield scored 276/300
- In the category of growth, Westfield scored 191/300
- 41 students out of over 800 were factored in double to determine the growth score

Organize Council

We chose and voted on a new council chair and co-chair

Carla Merrill was nominated, seconded and selected as the council chair

Misha Peay was nominated, seconded and selected as the council co-chair

School Trust Lands Money

Total budget \$46,637

- Mrs. Thomas told us that the school district will now cover the salary of our computer specialty teacher; this frees up \$26,000 originally marked to pay for that salary
- Discussion of STARS reading program and recommendation by Mrs. Thomas and Mrs. Alldredge to continue funding this program; 15 students can participate
- Discussion of technology funding; approximately \$8000 would be needed to provide a cart and 30 tablets
- Discussion of using the SCC money to help the PTA pay for a 2nd new computer lab
- Proposal to spend \$3-5,000 to pay STARS reading aides
- Proposal from Mrs. Thomas to use \$3400 to pay for double dosing; this benefits all grades and could help growth scores
- Proposal by Mrs. Thomas to use \$8253 for a professional development seminar (Pyramid Response to Intervention) taught by Mike Mattos in Las Vegas; she

believes this seminar can train teachers to collaborate more effectively and impact our school growth scores

Conclusion

- Decision to table discussion and continue to research how to most effectively use our money
- Task given to Kristin ask teachers why collaboration model is not always followed
- Task given to Mrs. Thomas to find how many teachers can attend Mike Mattos conference at BYU
- Task given to all to come up with proposals on how we can use our budget to meet the needs of the school population

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, October 2, 2013 at 9:30 in room 173