

Dixie Sun Community Council

Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2018

Present: Becky Basso, Jillian Udy, Kim Heki, Glen Andersen, Jaime Farnsworth, Christina Cortez, Brooke Neumann, Anna Mae Jorgensen

I. School Trust Funds Plan

The proposal for the 2018-2019 Trust Lands budget was discussed. An additional \$1,000 was allotted to both funds for textbooks and professional development. What to do with additional funds/rollover, should there be any, was discussed. The decision was made to add “personnel” and “literacy” to the plan for increased distribution.

Goal #1:	Music teacher and music program	\$25,000
Goal #2:	Funding for textbooks Primarily to be used for the new literacy program- Reach for Reading by National Geographic	\$14,000
Goal #3:	Professional Development	\$8,000
Increased Distribution:	Technology, Professional Development, Personnel, or Literacy	

Given the revisions, the plan was approved and signed.

II. Open House Night

The upcoming school open house on April 10th at 6pm was discussed and the flier for the event was reviewed. Revisions for the flier included adding details about clubs, music, Lego team, violin, mileage club, dance festival, storytelling festival, and Spanish in Kindergarten. Plans to increase attendance at the open house include fliers being mailed to everyone within the school boundaries, emails being sent to households within the Pineview, Desert Hills, and Dixie cone sites, and several members from the council volunteering to take fliers to their local preschools.

Lego team was discussed including the need for parent volunteers

A possible change to a “strand school” was discussed, wherein the entire school would have some English-only option classes in each grade. Methods to prevent this were proposed including having some teachers attempt to teach combined grade classes. Benefits of having English-only options to increase enrollment were examined as well as drawbacks of losing the school unity in having everyone at Dixie Sun involved in the Spanish immersion program.

III. 2018-2019 School Year Community Council

We will need a couple new members for next year

Tentative meeting dates:

September 27, 2018

November 15, 2018

January 17, 2019

March 21, 2019

IV. Additional Upcoming Events

April 5th is Litearcy Night

April 26th is the Dance Festival

V. Follow-Up on Past Business Items

A. Switchpoint Volunteers

The afterschool program that was going to be put on by Switchpoint volunteers will not be happening. Consistency was an issue and the person heading up the program has left.

B. Parent Spanish Classes

Possibilities for instructors were discussed. Perhaps sending out an email to find someone interested in teaching the course would work.

C. Reading Program

Beckie Basso proposed a reading improvement program to teach literacy skills. The possibility of using future funds to hire instructors was considered.

D. School Safety

Monti Therber from the city and Michael Lee from the district are points of contact to encourage building a fence around the school for increased safety of students.

Surveillance cameras on campus are also non-functional and need to be replaced. If parents want to improve the current school safety measures, a proposal to use PTA funds needs to be submitted.