

Silver Summit Academy School Community Council Meeting  
3.21.19 4:30 p.m.

Call to Order 4:40 p.m. In attendance: Principal Jeff Greiner, Kacey Simpson, Karin Wilson, Matt Ward and Robert Patrick

Kacey Simpson wanted to address transportation for the school. We have several students that walk to school, and others that have had to withdraw due to a lack of transportation. Karin Wilson will contact the County Council to request bus service from the bus that services Highland drive. Kacey also said that there are state tax dollars that should be available to provide school buses.

Principal Jeff Greiner:

- Math – Our Math tutor is a volunteer. Wanted flexibility in her schedule, although she has been very reliable. Can we give her IRS credit for her time or mileage?
- Foreign Language – We have a French teacher every Friday from 8:30-11:30 for \$75 per week.
- Teacher funding requests:
  - Vex robotics machine (\$3,700) to build upon evens
  - 2019-2020 funds reset on 7/1/19. Our new funding is \$30,000.
  - Microsoft replaced 65 computers with Surface Go computers for no additional cost
- Registration Update
  - 4/10/19 is the in-district deadline, then it will open up to other districts
  - 5/2 and 5/7 open enrollment meetings
  - Retention rate is 92%. 2 left for transportation issues, 2 found it too hard, and 1 was an athlete
  - 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 15 rising, 5 waiting list
  - 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 10 rising, 5 waiting list
  - 7<sup>th</sup> grade, 14 rising, 6 waiting list
  - 8<sup>th</sup> grade, 16 rising, 4 waiting list
  - 9<sup>th</sup> grade, 21 rising (no spots available)
  - 10<sup>th</sup> grade, 19 rising, 1 waiting list
  - 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade have room, but as we progress, these grades will be full
  - Waiting list will surge in April.
- Accreditation process has completed the first level, so we're "in-process" and official
- Building Update
  - The class in the cafeteria will move next door, so we will have a cafeteria. Lunches are no available on site.
  - Gutter company next door is out in May, and their lease will not be renewed.
  - Working on contractors now to complete building, especially bathrooms.

Guidance Counselor Robert Patrick

- Testing
  - Rise testing is replacing SAGE for 7/8<sup>th</sup> grades. Testing will take 3 to 4 days
  - ASPIRE/ACT Utah Aspire plus pre-ACT
    - Should be predictive for the ACT
    - Identifies strengths in math, reading and science
  - Data is really important
  - Want to add the PSAT for Freshmen
    - Level 1 and level 2 schools will allow us to offer the test
    - PSAT has a 6 level scholarship plan up to \$40,000.
    - SSA offers a practice course on taking the PSAT/ACT
  - Concurrent enrollment with Snow College
    - Easier to enroll than UVU
    - Credit will transfer to all Utah public colleges (Not Westminster or BYU)
    - Offers CMA courses that can be viewed on an individual computer, rather than on a screen in a classroom
    - The entire package has to be completed
    - An International passport may allow credit to be transferred to out of state colleges.
    - April 19 will need accreditation for counselling
- Bullying
  - Kate has been mediating issues between students
  - Our wide mix of students prevents a lot of bullying common in other schools

#### Other Business

- Minutes of previous meeting are approved
- Board is covered by E&O insurance and is exempt by the state, except in cases on malice
- The elections for next year's community council will be held next fall
- Grandparents are now eligible to be members of the council.
- May 30 is graduation

Next meeting is Wednesday May 22, at 4:30 p.m. Meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.