

Hillcrest Jr. High School

# School Community Council Minutes

March 3, 2016



Previous meeting's minutes were approved by Missy Rose and seconded by Jane Haight.

1. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Science
  - a. Ms. Covington told the council that the district has decided to offer a full year of science in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade. This will be implemented in the 2016-2017 school year.
2. Utah Middle Level Association (UMLA) Conference
  - a. Ms. Covington let the council know that Hillcrest Junior High School will be hosting the Utah Middle Level Conference on Saturday, March 12. Over 400 middle-level educators from across the state will be attending.
3. School Land Trust Plan 2016-2017
  - a. The council reviewed the draft of the 2016-2017 School Land Trust Plan.
  - b. It was suggested that on Goal #3: Support School-Wide STEM Education (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) that we change it to STEAM to include the Arts as well.
4. Bussing of Fireclay Area Students
  - a. School Board President Marge Tuckett was in the building and stopped by. The council let her know that they are concerned about the students in the Fireclay area and the lack of a bus. Ms. Tuckett said she shares those same concerns. Ms. Tuckett explained that 45% of the cost of a bus is paid for by the state and 55% must be covered by the district. She said there was pending legislation that would allow for districts to apply for grants for bussing in high concern areas. She said she would keep the council posted.
  - b. The question was asked if School Land Trust money could be used for bussing. Ms. Covington said she would check into this. This could potentially be shared between HJH and MHS since it involves the same area of students.
5. Questions/Concerns/Comments
  - a. It was mentioned that the library had noticed that the school resource officer had been walking through there more frequently after school and that it was appreciated.

Next Meeting: March 24, 2016