

SCC Meeting Agenda
February 24, 2014
3:30 pm in Lone Peak's Library

SCC Members:

- Jodie Osofsky – Chair
- Jim Jensen – Vice Chair
- Nikki MacKay (Parent)
- Craig Marsh (Parent)
- Karen Randolph (Parent)
- Cassie Walker (Parent)
- Holli Allred (PTA)
- Katie Redd (Teacher)
- Corbi Van Wagoner (Teacher)
- McKay Robinson (Principal)

Agenda Items

1. Attendance and Roll Call
2. Spring Due Date - prior to May 15th: principal to enter the following on the website
 - progress report for the School Land Trust program for the current year
 - school plan for the school land trust program for next year
 - committee signature form
3. Update on Superintendent Search
4. Two items of concern brought by one of our members:
 - On Fridays, there is not an Aide for Kindergarten before school on the Kindergarten playground.

- There is not a Crossing guard right when school gets out in front of school. I believe it is a teacher sometimes and they can't get there before the kids are out.

5. See below info for the current legislative bills in process that could have a direct effect on us as a council:

Good Afternoon School Community Council Members:

It is mid-way through the 2014 Legislative Session. There are a few bills that propose to make some changes to the work that councils are involved in and the revenue that funds the School LAND Trust Program. A brief description of each bill is provided here with links so that you may review the specific language of each bill, if the bill currently has text. Please note that legislation can change quickly with amendments and substitute bills but the links will provide details on any changes.

HB221 SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL REVISIONS – Sponsor: Representative Cunningham

The bill proposes to eliminate some required dates related to elections as long as the process of election and subsequent appointment of council members, along with required website postings are completed by October 20th. It also clarifies some training requirements that are current practice. This bill is being run at the request of the School Children's Trust Section at the Utah State Office of Education, and is supported by the State Board of Education.

<http://le.utah.gov/~2014/bills/static/HB0103.html>

HB320 EDUCATORS' PROFESSIONAL LEARNING – Sponsor: Representative Last

The bill changes how educators are involved in professional learning and deletes the current code on Professional Development. Councils would consider professional learning as part of the School Improvement Plan that councils develop and approve.

<http://le.utah.gov/~2014/bills/static/HB0320.html>

SB111S2 EDUCATION FUNDING EQUALIZATION – Sponsor: Senator Osmond

This bill freezes the minimum basic rate for property taxes and allows school districts to capture the increased revenue from property valuation increases, thus

generating more money for schools at the local level. It also would send 25% of new money to school community councils for preparation of the School LAND Trust plans. The remaining 75% of new money would also go to councils but with some stipulations set by local school board about how the funds would be allocated between schools and for what purposes. This doesn't supplant the current revenue coming from the school trust. This bill is supported by the State Board of Education.

<http://le.utah.gov/~2014/bills/static/SB0111.html>

SB1181S SCHOOL FUNDING THROUGH INCOME TAX REVISIONS –

Sponsor: Senator Jones

Under this proposed bill, income tax deductions would be reduced to two. The increased revenue from property tax goes to education and under the bill to school community councils. This funding would not be specific to the School LAND Trust Program but to implantation of the overall School Improvement Plan. Local school boards would approve proposed expenditures as they do with the School LAND Trust Program.

<http://le.utah.gov/~2014/bills/static/SB0118.html>

HCR4 CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SCHOOL AND INSTITUTIONAL TRUST LANDS ADMINISTRATION Sponsor: Representative Brown

This is a resolution of the legislature and governor recognizing the 20 years of leadership, management and accomplishments of the Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration. This includes the increase in revenues from \$86 million to \$1.7 billion now in the permanent funds.

<http://le.utah.gov/~2014/bills/static/HCR004.html>

SCHOOL TRUST FUNDS MANAGEMENT ACT – Sponsor: Representative Brown

This bill is still being drafted. It will change the management of the permanent State School Fund where the revenue from school trust lands is deposited and invested. Management of the fund will be overseen by a volunteer board of long-term investment professionals. The board will set policy and hire the investment officer. The state treasurer will be chairman of the board and the only state employee on the board. It will provide checks and balances that are not currently in the system. This bill is being run at the request of the School Children's Trust Section at the Utah State Office of Education, and is supported by the State Board of Education.

We are grateful for your service to the students at your school. If you have questions, please contact us. Please remember that we are not policy makers. If you would like to express support or concern for any legislative proposal, please

contact those that represent you. If you are unsure of who represents you, please visit the page on the School LAND Trust website.

<http://www.schoollandtrust.org/contact/elected-officials/>

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****Next meeting time is : May 12 (Monday) at 3:30**

pm in our school library

Minutes from Last Meeting:

Monday, November 4, 2013

Attendance:

Jodie Osofsky, Craig Marsh, Cassie Walker, Holli Allred, Katie Redd, Corbi Van Wagoner, McKay Robinson

1- Discussed and reviewed highlights of Superintendent search meeting on October 28th.

- There were 6 topics of discussion.
- The purpose of the meeting was to gather information from the stakeholders on these subjects.
- The district is holding over 70 meetings like the one we attended.

Once they gather the info, they will look for common themes to create a recruiting packet to send out nationwide.

- Approximately 37% of school districts nationwide currently operate without a superintendent. So a large focus is on things that we see as advantages that Canyons District offers to potential candidates for the position. Your feedback on this item in particular would be greatly appreciated.

2- Land Trust Final Report was reviewed and approved. Overall improvements were noticed except in one class. They are doing further study to see the reason if any. We reviewed previous goals and discussed timeline for the reports.

3- A discussion on the process to approve meeting minutes was held. The decision was to approve future meeting minutes at the end of the meeting.