



## Grand County Middle School School Community Council Meeting Minutes

**April 26, 2017**

Attendees: Melinda Snow (principal), Marva Lewis (co-chair), Jeanette Kopell (co-chair), Ginger Torres (staff), Janel Arbon (parent), Teresa Clarkson (parent), Amy Walling (parent), Kathy Lacy (parent), David Everitt (Moab City Manager)

### **Action Items**

- The council approved the March minutes as presented.
- The council approved the 2017-18 Trustlands budget with the understanding that it would be amended based on information from Superintendent Crane and the Grand County School Board.

### **Discussion Items**

**Safe Routes to School:** David Everitt answered questions about plans to remove mature trees whose roots are buckling sidewalks on city streets. He said he would attend the next SCC meeting to discuss safety concerns regarding the routes students take to and from school.

**Teacher Appreciation:** SCC will provide smoothies and muffins in the morning on Thursday, May 4 for Teacher Appreciation.

**Compliance Checklist:** SCC members reviewed the Compliance Checklist to ensure that they have fulfilled the SCC duties and responsibilities for the 2016-17 school year.

**Master Schedule:** Principal Snow reviewed the process for completing the master schedule. All students are hand-scheduled in order to best fit their needs. (There are no software programs available that are designed for fewer than 300 students.) Grade level teachers have common preps in order to collaborate on classroom instruction. Elective classes are taught in the afternoons by content areas teachers and para-professionals. Scheduling is further complicated because the middle school shares three teachers with the high school.

### **Areas of improvement:**

- Encourage parent involvement
- Recruit diverse group of parents for SCC
- Address intergenerational poverty through parenting classes

**Blue Ribbon Awards:** Sophia Sopuch, Casey Lawson

**Meeting Adjourned – 5:15 p.m.**