



## Grand County Middle School School Community Council Meeting Minutes

**October 25, 2017**

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Attendees: Melinda Snow (principal), Marva Lewis (co-chair/school counselor), Christy Calvin (parent), Ashley Korenblat (parent), Karisa Larsen (parent), Sheree Maughan (parent), Jen Patterson (parent), Ms. Sopuch (teacher), Gerlit Buffington (teacher)

### **Action Items**

\*Approval of Minutes September 29, 2017

### **Discussion Items**

#### *School Counseling Program*

- Individual Planning: College and Career Readiness meetings with parents and students for 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 9<sup>th</sup> graders
- Career Guidance Curriculum: Reality Town, Anti-bullying, College and Career Awareness lesson plans
- Responsive Services: Crisis response, small groups, Student Support Team
- System Support: Committees, Teachers, Principals, Families
- School-based therapists: Brad Flinn (Moab Free Health Clinic) and John Dahl (Four Corners)
- Anti-bullying: Parents suggested students produce skits on various topics including bullying, social media, etc. Discussed using Pippa's theatre program to coordinate.

#### *Parent Involvement*

- Parent involvement plan for parents to interview students throughout the year at lunch was tabled.
- Parent lunch plan was discussed. The middle school would invite parents to lunch with their students. Healthy snacks/desserts would be given out by parents. Parents could possibly stay to participate in or watch the Friday activity.
- Parents to Parents: posts of Facebook or social media about having middle school-aged children, i.e. policies, school expectations, use of social media by students, etc.

*School Climate Survey*

- Principal Snow summarized the results. Top areas of concern:
  - 1. Need for strong anti-bullying policies;
  - 2. Need for increased academic challenge.
- SCC members completed the survey.

**Meeting Adjourned at 4:45 p.m.**