Orchard Elementary Community Council March 25, 2019 Approved Minutes

Present:

Mike Volmar, Linda Greenwood, Maria Duggar, Lori Jacobsen, Leigh Okleberry, Alina Ballard, Camie Nielson, Elizabeth Bulfin, Megan Gordon, Keri Masson, Virginia Peery, Carolyn Wiberg

Approved minutes from February Meeting

School Improvement Plan:

Finalized Orchard Elementary Plan: included goals for writing, reading, math, STEM, mindfulness; All members signed the School Community Council Signature Form.

Other:

Discussed the need for more consistent aides. Teachers expressed concern with large amounts of missed days by some aides this year. Ms. Greenwood to follow up on idea of U of U students to help with aide jobs. Also maybe parents could be a good pool for part-time aide jobs.

Discussed whether school counselors/psychologist were part-time or full-time in schools throughout the district. Our school has a part time counselor currently. We would like a full-time counselor, able to spend more time in the classrooms, doing character training. We feel it could help curtail problems, be proactive before problems start.

Special Ed funds are needing to be cut. Not sure what that will look like.

Discussed if after-school programs could be beneficial in our school: needs-based, homework help.