

Draper Elementary
School Community Council Meeting Notes
October 10, 2012

In attendance:

Principal Kenna Sorensen	Parent JoAnna Meyer
Employee Ginny Watts	Parent Vanessa Croshaw
Employee Michelle Johnson	Parent Ginger Cavin
Employee Shanda Thornell	Parent Tom Brand
Employee Fengyin Lee	Parent Jeremy Petersen

1. Welcome-

Each member of the council was introduced.
JoAnna was elected as the chair of the council.
Vanessa was elected as the Vice-Chair of the council.
Ginger was asked to take notes for each meeting.

2. Video presentation of the Trust Lands Plan and CSIP Plan-

The council directs the use of the funds from the Trust for the specific academic needs of our school.
The council can find more information on our role at schoollandtrust.org.

3. Year in review-

The 2011-2012 plan used the trust funds to hire and use 4 17-hour aides to help teachers with specialized instruction. This plan allowed teachers to place each individual student in a group with other students on the same level for specialized instruction. This instruction was provided by the teachers and aides and met the needs of each student, whether those needs were improvement in understanding or enrichment and further instruction. The two subjects approached were math and english.

The results of Draper Elementary's testing scores for last year and this fall were reviewed. When last year's council plan was implemented, there was a noticeable rise in student's scores across all three tiers. Teachers Ginny, Shanda and Michelle all commented on the improvement they saw in their students.

4. Discussion of the current year-

Many questions were raised about the Chinese program. These included the ability to add a Chinese aide, the feasibility of measuring how well the children are acquiring Chinese, still meeting the needs of children not in the Chinese program and addressing the behavioral problems in the Chinese program by providing more instruction to those who may be behind.

The council was informed that the current amount of Trust money given to Draper Elementary is \$32,753.00. The current cost of the four curriculum aides is between \$28,000 and \$32,000. Draper Elementary will also receive about

\$6,500 from the flag pole which is a cellphone tower that could possibly be used for a Chinese aide.

Several members of the council also wondered about adding science to the specialized instruction.