

MINUTES

University Park CSC

Date | time 12/8/2015 4:15 PM | *Meeting called to order by* Jakob Holm

In Attendance

Grant Varveris (Principal), Jakob Holm (CSC Chair & Parent), Jen Frenkel (PTA President & Parent), Elizabeth Reynolds (Teacher), Cara Havenar (Teacher), Mindy Ostrom (Teacher), Candace Kristensson (Parent), Amy Homburger (Parent), Joanna Shear (Parent)

Jakob Holm – CSC Chair Update

The Student & Parent Handbook will be posted on the school website sometime after the new year. Next steps for CSC include defining direction of the school. Need data before we can discuss UIP. CSC will discuss in 2016.

Grant Varveris – Principal Update

[Click here](#) to view Grant's update for December.

In addition to the update, Grant discussed the Integrated School Enrollment Pilot. This [pilot program](#) would change the choice order for FRL (free and reduced lunch) children. The program is being offered to 42 schools with a low FRL enrollment in an effort to desegregate. Each school principal decides independently with the district whether or not the program will run at their school. Grant opened it up for discussion within the CSC and he will decide within the next month.

Jen Frenkel – PTA Update

- \$1500 used to buy books in library, another \$1500 coming soon. Looking to update furniture in the library.
 - The Silent Auction is April 23rd.
 - The PTA is considering starting a UPark Alumni Group
 - The PTA needs members and leadership – a notice will go out to the school soon requesting participation.
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Snack Schedule

- 1/12/15 – Elizabeth Reynolds
- 2/9/15 – Candace Kristensson
- 3/8/15 – Amy Homburger
- 4/12/15 – Jakob Holm

- 5/10/15 – Grant Varveris

Next Meeting

- January 12, 2016 in the UPark Library or Room 203 (location subject to change).



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Principal Update for PTA/CSC –

December

*Grant's Focus for the 15-16 school year

1. Getting to know every student
2. Building great teams
3. Continue to improve communication

Instructional –

1. PARCC Data will be released on 12/11/15. UPark was successful but we still have room to grow. We are again in the top 20 of all DPS schools (over 150) in both literacy and math. I will be sharing our data with families next week in my principal's message.
2. Teachers and I will begin to meet in January each week to discuss our math groups/needs
3. NEXT Month –
 - a. Personalized Learning update
 - b. Teacher Leader Collaboration Project update
4. Daily 5 is going well and present in all KG-2nd grade classrooms
5. Guided reading – happens in all KG-5th grade classrooms everyday

Human Resources -

1. We are still fully staffed

Community –

1. We need you!!!! PLEASE TELL YOUR FRIENDS, FAMILY AND NEIGHBORS about our upcoming tours
 - a. Tour dates - Friday, December 11, 2015 – 9:15 am and 2:30 pm
Saturday, January 9, 2016 – Open House 9-11 am
Friday, January 15, 2016 – 9:15 am and 2:30 pm
Friday, January 22, 2016 – 9:15 am and 2:30 pm
Friday, January 29, 2016 – 9:15 am

Organizational

1. Parent Portal – report cards will be digital for the second trimester
2. I have been working with several community organizations to complete larger projects around the school
 - a. Painting classrooms
 - b. Painting the outside doors
 - c.painting the hallways
3. Construction is going well – they should be finished in the next week or so.

Equity/Voice

1. The COLLABORATE survey was sent to all staff members on December 1st. This survey is for employees to help improve the effectiveness of central office and administrators.
2. The CSC has completed the update for family handbook. We will digitally distribute to all members of the UPark school community in the near future.

November

*Grant's Focus for the 15-16 school year

1. Getting to know every student
2. Building great teams
3. Continue to improve communication

Instructional –

6. Daily 5 (teachers will be presenting at PTA meeting)
7. Guided reading – Corri and I will be in homeroom teachers classroom for weekly coaching

Our Initial Thinking of How the Pilot Would Work

If you are a boundary school:

Today

Priority	Detail
1	Boundary students
2	Siblings
3	Children of FTE
4	Denver residents
5	Non-Denver residents

Proposed Pilot

Priority	Detail
1	Boundary students
2	Siblings
3	Children of FTE
4	Denver FRL residents
5	Denver residents
6	Non-Denver FRL residents
7	Non-Denver residents