

TO: President Paul Widdison

Weber Board of Education Members

Superintendent Gina Butters

FROM: Heather Neilson DATE: March 9, 2023

SUBJECT: School LAND Trust Plan Amendment

Riverdale Elementary is seeking Weber School District Board of Education approval on changes to their School LAND Trust Plan. In the current plan written by the previous school administrator, the Action Plan Steps and Expenditures stated that monies were allocated for salaries and benefits only. This information wasn't reflective of the information contained in the funding proposal that also allocated monies for the rental of technology devices in addition to salaries and benefits to support the Reading Plan and PLC process. This information was shared with the Riverdale Community Council on February 21, 2023.

The following are statements of the proposed language change for the action steps in Goal #1.

Goal #1 (original statement in Action Plan Steps)

- Salaries for three instructional assistants-(\$47,156)
  - Hire instructional assistants to administer benchmark assessments
  - Administer benchmark assessments
  - Administer phonics screener for placement
  - Analyze Acadience/phonics screener data and place in instructional groups.
  - Teachers and aides teach intervention/enrichment groups

Goal #1 (amended language in Action Plan Steps)

## Action Plan Steps

- Hire instructional assistants who work under the direction of the Reading Coach to administer the benchmark assessments and phonics screener, analyze Acadience and phonics screener data, and place students in instructional groups. Instructional assistants will also teach intervention/enrichment groups. (\$38,000)
- Teachers in the classroom will utilize technology to increase student engagement, promote learning, differentiate instruction, and provide assessment practice. (\$14,000). Purchase and make repairs to technology as needed. (\$10,000)
- Teacher collaboration time will be provided to grade-level teams on a weekly basis. This time will be used for teacher collaboration on best practices, standards-based assessments, pacing guides,

interventions, and extensions. This time will also be used to look at data to improve instruction. Students will work with a paraprofessional during teacher collaboration time. (\$6,000)

On February 21, 2023, Riverdale Elementary discussed the proposed amended language and conducted a Community Council vote regarding the proposed change. Brian Hall motioned to amend the language in the current Trustland plan action step number 1. Candice Zumbrun seconded the motion. The Riverdale Community Council was represented by a quorum and voting was unanimous for the above-proposed change.

Based on this information, I am requesting the Weber School District Board approve the proposed amendment to modify the action steps contained in School LAND Trust Goal #1 for Riverdale Elementary School.

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