

# **American International School of Utah Community Council Meeting Minutes 10 August 2017**

Meeting called to order by Nick Galieti, Chair at 6:05pm

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## **Members Present:**

Nick Galieti  
Nathan Justis  
Matt Maw  
Tim Larrabee  
Leigha Westover  
Tasha Savage  
Heidi Galieti

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## **Members Not Present:**

Heather Jensen

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## **Business**

- **Introduction of Digital Citizenship Initiative by Nick Galieti**

Explanation of responsibility of the council We are to work with administration to provide/educate/maintain a safe environment for students and their families to interact with the internet.

- **Michael Mason of H-Wire introduced. He maintains the safety protocols for the school's internet access.**

Provided a rundown of the safety precautions, firewalls, and blocks placed on internet access through school issued chrome books and school wi-fi

Network upgraded to full Radius. This means everyone on network must log in with their credentials (school issued login) to access internet. This provides school with ability to track individual use and deal with issues that may arise directly. It also individualizes internet access according to credentials.

Grade level filtering is possible, but not necessarily in use currently, but can be added as teachers or admin request.

If necessary, the internet can be blacklisted for individual students

Students/staff/guests using non school issued chrome books or other browsers do not have detailed blocking available. They have the general blocking through iBoss and DNS Improvements to ARP protection. This stops malware attacks introduced by home devices.

- **Question from Audience: Parent expressed concern over how much of youtube is blocked, restrictions on free speech, religious content, or blocking of classical art when it has nudity in the piece.**
- **Answer: YouTube is restricted, but if a student finds a video they want to access a teacher can approve it for access. All religious content is ok, but nudity is blocked, no exceptions. Many other blocks on youtube can be overridden by educational flagging by google or youtube.**
- **Parent expressed concerns over blocking of art.**
- **Question From Audience: Are school issued computers blocked even during home use?**
- **Answer: Yes. They legally have to be if issued by the school.**
  
- **Question from Council: Are there concerns about capacity of network?**
- **Answer: The network is more than adequate for the expected draw. If issues come up, make sure chrome books have adequate wireless access cards. Past ACER chrome books had issues, but they are being phased out.**
- **Question from Parent: Are sites like Facebook and Facebook messenger blocked? What if that is how they communicate with their parents throughout the day?**
- **Answer: Because of the distraction potential Facebook and Facebook Messenger are blocked. A phone is available in the office if a child needs to reach their parent, google hangouts works if parent needs to reach the child and a call to the office is insufficient. Facebook and Facebook messenger cannot be separated with current technology.**
- **Parent expressed desire for an approved messenger for students to communicate with parent**

Mike thanked for his time and explanations.

- **Paula Plant, Program Administrator at School Land Trust**  
Expressed appreciation for the discussion on Digital Citizenship.  
Responsibilities of the Community council is to promote conversation on digital citizenship and provide an avenue for discussion with parents , students, and staff. Students of the school are to be educated on safe use of the internet yearly. There are many ways to fulfill this requirement and the state land trust website has links available for resources. Parents are to be educated on ways to address internet safety with their children.
  
- **Michelle Linford Director of Epik Deliberate Digital, Non Profit**  
Internet can magnify the bad, but can also magnify and facilitate the good. [EPIK.org](http://EPIK.org) provides ideas of how to provide uplifting and encouraging ways to train parents and youth on internet safety. The power of teaching youth to be a force for good. Please use resources and stories of good available on [EPIK.org](http://EPIK.org)  
Two day summit about using tech for good is coming this fall. All are invited. November 2-3, 2017.
  
- **Nick Galieti introduced Utah Net Smarts.**  
This is an age/grade appropriate digital citizenship training service provided by Boys and Girls Club of Utah. It is free, but must be booked 3-6 months in advance due to popularity. Counselors are available if school has specific needs due to trauma, bullying, or other issues affecting students. Any services used are also reported to Attorney General's office to show school efforts to address any problems.

**PTO President addressed their planned training for digital citizenship through the whole school. It will be catered to grade, and will now be incorporating these resources.**

**Audience Question: Is there a suicide day at the school? Is this being addressed?**

**Answer: There is no suicide day, but counseling staff will be notified and they will monitor for any rumors or concerns.**

**Council Member Question: How much of Land Trust money can be used for digital citizenship training.**

**Answer: \$5000.00 per year from council funds, not including learning tools used by the students.**

**Meetings Scheduled on 14 September 2017, 12 October 2017, 09 November 2017, 14 December 2017**

**Motion: Matt Maw motioned to close the meeting**

**Second: Leigha Westover**

**MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:11PM**