Foothill Community Council Meeting Minutes October 26, 2016

- ❖ Aerwyn Whitlock (SCC Chair) welcomed everyone and got the meeting started
- ❖ Dr. Backman Conducted a review of the SAGE reports and Tier III Instruction
 - The SAGE test scores show that we are doing a very good job helping continually improve students' proficiency levels. We are able to move a higher percentage of students out of the "below proficiency" levels than the state and ASD averages.
 - This is a great website for viewing some of the data that we reviewed: https://datagateway.schools.utah.gov/
 - ➤ One of the ways we are achieving this improvement in proficiency is through Tier III teaching. We are no longer doing "Double Dose" reading, which was more of a Tier II intervention. We are now doing a targeted intervention. We have two paraprofessionals who use the test results to develop a child-specific intervention. These paraprofessionals pull the child out for five minutes of one-on-one targeted intervention every day, with an assessment every two weeks. This is a school-wide program for all students.
 - > The Beverly Sorensen Taylor grant also supports this. It has been shown that arts integration is preventative in keeping children from falling behind. So the drama integration is helping those students who are at proficiency stay there instead of slipping below.
 - Last year and this year we used the Trust Land funds to get another first grade teacher. This has been great as it helped keep more children at or above proficiency, but we didn't have strong Tier III instruction last year. With the smaller lower grades and targeted Tier III instruction, we are laying a strong foundation for all the future grades.
 - At the moment, our targeted interventions are only for language arts. We do not have any targeted interventions for those who are falling behind in math.
 - Splashmath was brought up as a good app for leveled math review for those who need additional math help. Many students currently use Xtramath.
- Apollo Project Update
 - The Apollo Project is going well and it is spreading to other schools.
- We received a draft of the Stakeholder's Report to review before its final publication.
- Next meeting is November 30, 2016 at 11:40.