

School Community Council
March 20, 2017

Those in Attendance:

Brian McGill	Albert Spencerwise	Shannon Alvey
Laura Fenlaw	Karin Hunter	Callie Bjerregaard
Shelly Karren	Cheryl Awerkamp	Jim Jensen
Tiffany Keim	Robyn Lee	April Richardson
Tricia Leininger	Chad Heyborne	Terra Bingham
Brittany Stephenson	Matt Leininger	Karl Packer
Melissa Fabrizio	Jolene Erickson	

Others in Attendance:

Carolyn Cannon (Main Office)
Judy Weeks-Rohner (Visitor – Grandparent of future student)

Tiffany Keim asked for approval of February meeting minutes
Motion to approve by Shelly Karren
Second by Shannon Alvey
Minutes approved

Welcome by Brian McGill

- **SBO update/Events (Karl Packer & Student Government)**
 - Prom is this Saturday at Thanksgiving Point (in The Barn).
 - Tomorrow begins the election process for SBOs.
 - Spirit Bowl was awesome! The students did some really fun things. They tried to shake things up so it wasn't just class against class. They drew out ping-pong balls to see which two classes would work together. Our Special Needs kids came in and played soccer for a few minutes. It was by far the most unifying event of the day.
- **PTSA update (Robyn Lee)**
 - Legislative update. All licensing fees will be paid in the future. There was a 4% increase. Grading on the schools got passed through the House, but not the Senate. It has been put on a one-year hold while they reevaluate. They did pass a resolution to have it based on a portfolio.
 - PTSA helped with Hope Week. The speaker, Josie Thompson, was outstanding. PTSA provided drinks on Friday.
 - Looking for volunteers to get 113,000 signatures "Our Schools Now – Teacher and Student Initiative for the 2017 ballot."
- **Counseling Corner (Callie Bjerregaard and Terra Bingham)**
 - Hope Week was great! Nothing but positive came from it
 - Currently doing 10th Grade CCRs. They are talking with the students about career interests and looking at colleges that offer those degrees. Students seem to like that.
 - AP Registration is due April 22nd. Students must go online to register. They will be very strict with the deadline because tests have to be purchased, etc.

- Makeup ACT is tomorrow. ACT turnout this year was excellent. Last year there were 52 students who did not show up to take the test. This year only 17 students did not show up on test day. Advisory teachers did a great job promoting it and encouraging the students. There was a concern expressed that the juniors just go home after the test and many of the other students don't come since it's such a short day. Brian has requested from the Calendar Committee to see if they can do the 2nd half of the day as a PD day on future calendars.
 - April will be the first opportunity for the students to see their schedules.
 - Canyons summer school schedule has come out. They will go to two weeks of class at Mt. Jordan and then finish up the second half on CVHS. Discussion about students needing to do PST even though they are involved in a sport.
 - Hope Week was March 6-10. They did a lot of fun lunch time activities to help students learn to deal with stress; did an Advisory lesson; did a video to help with the connection of teachers caring about students; did the double assembly and parent evening on suicide prevention; and ended the week with food trucks on Friday. There were almost 400 who showed up to the evening presentation. It really hit home with a certain number of our population.
- **Summary from Salt Lake Community College**
 - The summary from Salt Lake Community College is their review of how our students do that we send on to them. College Readiness – some of the highest scores in the state and the highest scores in the District. Our participation in Concurrent is also one of the highest. Other data provided as well. A nice pat on the back.
- **Attendance Policy (Shelly Karren)**
 - Updated revisions to the almost final Attendance Policy were presented. The major changes were reviewed to get thoughts and feedback. Concern was shared that parents don't know whether to go to Skyward or Canvas to check on their students grades and attendance. At this point it is individual with each teacher. Brian asked Shelly to make sure parents know how to access Canvas. She will include it in the parent email.
 - The following were some of the highlighted recent changes to the policy:
 1. When a student is absent from school for *any* reason, it is his/her responsibility to contact teachers regarding makeup work. Students should contact their teachers (or consult online class resources) as soon as they return to school in order to makeup missed learning opportunities.
 2. Codes (A, G, W, A-VT, and T)
 3. GUARDIAN EXCUSED ABSENCE (G): An absence excused by a guardian within three days of the absence occurring but without approved written documentation (see EXCUSED ABSENCES) will count toward the no grade (NG) policy.
 4. EXCUSED ABSENCES (E): If a student misses a full day, the parent/guardian shall notify the Attendance Office within three days of the absence. Approved written documentation (i.e. dentist note, doctor note, court note, obituary, wedding announcement, or other approved documentation) MUST be provided. Excusals shall not be accepted after the three days or for previous quarters. The code for excused absences will not count towards the no grade (NG) policy.

5. CHECK-IN/CHECK-OUT PROCEDURES – *Should parents/guardians have concerns regarding extenuating circumstances that result in a student exceeding the allowed number of absences, please call the school to make an appointment to meet with the student’s assistant principal.*
6. OPTIONS FOR MAKING UP NG’S & AVOIDING LOSS OF CREDIT
 - a. **Perfect Attendance** for 10 consecutive school days. These days may also be made up before midterm the following quarter. Perfect attendance does not include school activity (N) or excused absence (E) codes.
 - b. **Engagement Time** (7:10-7:40 A.M.). For a student who wishes to be proactive with teachers, he/she may use two full Engagement Time days to make up one absence and one full Engagement Time to make up one tardy. (Attendance will be verified by the teacher).
 - c. **Increase in GPA** in the class in which the no grade (NG) was received (raise one full letter grade or the equivalent of a ten percent increase). This option may only be applied the quarter following the term in which the no grade (NG) occurred.
 - d. **Hawk Study Hall:** For an absence or tardy, students must pick up the work prior to study hall from the class in which they have the no grade (NG). The teacher shall provide work for the student and the student will work on those assignment(s) for that specific class during study hall time. If work is not available for a given class, that teacher must sign to verify that the student may do work for a different class.

- **Land Trust Vote (Brian McGill)**

Last month we talked about this in depth. Building Leadership Team has also reviewed it. One change was ACT 26-30% ... maybe unrealistic. They want to try for 28%. Everything else stayed the same.

Vote:

Motion to approve – Matt Leininger

2nd the motion – Laura Fenlaw

Approve: (15)

Not Approve: (0)

Voting is unanimous

- **Other items**

Motion to adjourn – Jim Jensen

2nd motion – Tricia Leininger

Next meeting: Monday, April 24, 2017 (final meeting)