

West Hills Middle School  
School Community Council  
November 14, 2013

ATTENDING: Shawntelle Butters, Wyatt Bentley, William Boyea, Stacy Evans, Anne Hickenloper, Alishia Heufner, Phil Johnson, Caleb Olson, Anjanette Slack, Alicia Summers  
Chandra Walker, Jenni Shelton

1. WELCOME
  - ❖ Shawntell Butters welcomed everyone.
2. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING
  - ❖ Minutes were read silently. Alishia Heufner motioned to accept the minutes. Phil Johnson seconded. Voting was unanimous.
3. APPOINTING MEMBERS/COUNCIL SIZE
  - ❖ Discussion to the size of the council was held.
4. TRUSTLANDS UPDATE
  - ❖ Stacy Evans went over data from language arts, math and science CRT's. Trust lands helps pays for after school tutoring.
  - ❖ Stacy also presented data on the Direct Writing Assessment and Scholastic Reading Inventory.
  - ❖ Student participation for the 2012-13 school year for 4.0 G.P.A., 100% attendance and all H's for citizenship was shared.
5. TARDINESS DATA & PLAN
  - ❖ Caleb Olsen went over the new tardy policy.
  - ❖ Consequences at 5, 10, 15, 20 tardies.
  - ❖ It is hoped this will decrease the amount of tardies.
  - ❖ Question was raised regarding parent support. There have only been two phone calls home.
  - ❖ A comment was made that what constitutes a tardy varies from teacher to teacher.
  - ❖ Data for 2nd quarter will presented in the 2nd quarter meeting. Administrators are trying to keep a long-term perspective on change.
6. LEAP INTERVENTION
  - ❖ Stacy Evans discussed the purpose of LEAP. It is not just remediation, but learning enhancement as well. Conducted similar to Ketchup and Relish, but with more frequency.
  - ❖ LEAP will be once a week. Students who didn't master a concept can go visit that teacher. If they have an "I" they go to that teacher first.
  - ❖ Anjanette Slack expressed the concern that math was too full.
  - ❖ There were some wrinkles the first two times it happened. Some students who needed help didn't go to the rooms they needed.
  - ❖ West Hills also offers after school tutoring. The school needs to do a better job getting that information out to parents. One student who has an 8th grader didn't know about that resource. This information will be placed on the school website.
7. COUNSELING CENTER
  - ❖ Chandra Walker thanked the community for their support of Reality Town. She commented that students were surprised at how expensive things were.

- ❖ The counselors are beginning 8th grade individual College and Career Ready meetings. They were disappointed that only 36 of 450 8th grade parents signed up.
  - ❖ A suggestion was made to send home the letters the day Canyon Creek opens up by Christmas.
  - ❖ Chandra Walker told about the service learning that the counselors are leading out on. Students donated 166 hats last Christmas to the Road Home Shelter.
  - ❖ Counselors are currently running a grief group and just finished up with a group for new 8th grade girls new to West Hills. Chandra Walker asked that if someone on Community Council saw a need for a specific type of group, please let the counselors know.
8. CONCERNS AND SUGGESTIONS
- ❖ Wyatt Bentley expressed thanks for being able to attend the Professional Learning Communities at Work conference this week.
  - ❖ Stacy Evans commented that WHMS was able to pay for teachers to attend through the Trust lands.
9. TRUSTLAND VIDEO
- ❖ Two school trust lands training videos were shown.
    - Touch the Future
    - Earning for Education
10. MOTION TO DISMISS
- ❖ William Boyea motioned to adjourn. Anne Hickenloper seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous.

Next meeting is February 6, 2014  
Final Meeting is April 10, 2014