

West Hills Middle  
School Community Council  
April 10, 2014

ATTENDING: Shawntelle Butters, Stacy Evans, Anjanette Slack, David Pack, Alishia Huefner, Louise Atkinson, Caleb Olson, Wyatt Bentley, Alicia Summers, Rob Summers, Chandra Walker, Phil Johnson

#### **1. WELCOME**

- Shawntelle Butters welcomed everyone

#### **2. MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**

- Rob Summers motioned to accept the minutes. Alishia Huefner seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous.

#### **3. SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT**

- Stacy Evans went over the previous mission statement.
- Went over 3 guiding principals for a quality mission statement
- Proposed new mission statement, "Every student, every day, learning at higher levels!"
- Chandra Walker motioned to accept it as the new school mission statement. Alicia Summers seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous.

#### **4. P.R.I.D.E. SCHOOL WIDE NORMS**

- Caleb Olson went over the acronym for PRIDE  
Proactive, Respect, Integrity, Determination, Enthusiasm
- Posters with expectations for different areas would be created.
- Current focus is respect.
- Rob Summers asked if students would be educated about the meaning of the terms of PRIDE. Caleb stated that WHMS will work on it in TA next year.
- Anjanette Slack shared the idea of cycling back through the terms and also recognizing students for following the norm.

#### **5. TRUST LANDS - PROGRESS REPORT, 2014-15 PLAN**

##### **Progress Report**

- Wyatt Bentley went over current progress.
- The Chrome Book lab has been essential for testing.
- We are looking at ordering one more lab to help out with shortening the testing time and adding more instructional time.
- Monies for professional development have been valuable to our faculty. Chandra Walker commented that it has helped get new teachers on board and helped with the quality of instruction.
- ESL aide is funded. Tracks our ESL students to help them out.
- After school tutoring and activities have provided services for students. Helps students connect to school. Students connected to school are more successful academically.

##### **2014-15**

- New goal: "Students will demonstrate increased proficiency, growth and mastery in the areas of Reading, Writing, Mathematics and Science."
- SAGE test results, common formative assessments, SRI and myWriteSmart and/or My Access may be used to gather data.

- Proposed money - \$61,700 for salaries and wages, to fund after school tutoring, an ESL aide, an intervention aide and substitutes to cover teachers for professional development observations and curriculum writing in PLC teams, \$7,500 for Professional Development, \$11,200 Computer Equipment, \$2000 Software. TOTAL is \$82,400
- Anjanette Slack asked about the students currently taking study skills and progress they are making. Chandra Walker commented that one student asked to be moved to study skills at the quarter because his friend's grades have gone up with the help. Next year students will identified that the class will help and be invited to take the class previous to registration.
- There were no questions about the plan.
- Rob Summers motioned to accept the School Trust Land plan. Louise Atkinson seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous.
- 3 of the 12 members were unavailable to sign, but they had participated in the discussion on trust lands.

## **6. TARDINESS DATA**

- Tardies are down from last year. A large percentage of the tardies were in first period.
- Students are encouraged to attend class on time. There are drawings for students who are decreasing tardies or getting to class on time.
- WHMS will do "On time, on task" weekly drawings.
- In 3rd quarter 1150 students had 4 tardies or less.
- Next year administration will add in another level of consequences.

## **7. COUNSELING CENTER**

- Counselors have almost completed 100% of our Career and College Ready meetings. We working on finishing up about 20 8th graders.
- Next year will be our program review. We are mailing out postcards to have parents participate in our needs survey that identifies what the community believes the counseling center needs to focus on.
- Job Shadow is coming up on April 24, 2014. 8th graders are excited.

## **8. CONCERNS AND SUGGESTIONS**

- Alicia Summers asked about the penalties for late work. Stacy Evans commented that a few teachers are shifting towards standards based grading.
- Another concern was raised about comments that were being made about science at CHHS. Phil Johnson will discuss it with his science team.
- Dave Pack raised a concern about the crossing guards packing up before the final bell rings. Caleb Olson will check to find out what adjustment can be with West Jordan City.
- Louise Atkinson asked about the questions students were being given. Stacy Evans commented that many of the items are district directed.
- Dave Peck thanked the administration for bringing in new ideas and yet respecting the past.
- Stacy thanked the Community Council for their time and effort in behalf of students.
- Chandra Walker thanked Rob and Alicia Summers for all the years of service on Community Council, since this will be their last year.

## **9. MOTION TO DISMISS**

- Louse Atkinson made a motion to dismiss. Dave Pack seconded. Voting was unanimous.