

# Pleasant Grove SCC Meeting

Wednesday, January 6, 2016 12:00 p.m.

## Action Items

- 1) Approve Minutes
- 2) Reports on SCC Training (Mark would like to report on how to interpret data)
- 3) Data Review
- 4) Trust land Grant Discussion
- 5) Report from the Administration on Digital Citizenship and Bullying

## Discussion Items

- 1) Lauri Stringer counseling update

## \*\*\*\*\* Next Meetings

February 2, 2016 12:00 p.m.

- Data Review
- Trust land Grant Discussion

March 1, 2016 12:00 p.m.

- Draft Trust land Grant

March 29, 2016 12:00 p.m.

- Trust land Grant Approval
- School Improvement Plan

May 3, 2016 12:00 p.m.

- Election of members to prepare for following school year.

## \*\*\*\*\* Minutes from November 4

### PGHS Community Council Minutes

November 4, 2015

1. We met on November 4, 2015 at the high school, Mark conducted.
2. Mark shared a thought about schools in New Jersey having a big movement because schools were failing, and the legislature decided they wanted to get rid of the districts and create all charter schools and have the parent volunteers be the school board. We are committed as a community council to come once a month and he mentioned how grateful he is that we don't have to do all of the things our school needs. He thanked us for being here because there is a real opportunity to make a difference as we review data and look at how we can be effective.
3. Mark sent October's minutes earlier for reading and handed us each a copy at the meeting. Amanda made the motion to approve the minute, Cristie seconded it. The vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.
4. Doug Meeks and Justin Reeves presented data on the sage testing scores for English and writing 10 & 11, and secondary Math 2 & 3. The scores in English and the writing for 2014-2015 have shown quite a bit of improvement from 2013-2014, especially in writing. The data showed the scores compared to other schools in the district and schools in the state. Most areas are above average, so whatever they did in the English depart had some major implications. Justin said that last year the English department made it a goal to help the students improve their writing scores. They are excited to have the opportunity to share with other schools what they did to be successful. An investment in some great tools is one of the reasons for the success in higher scores. The new graders and chrome books that were purchased with trust land funds helped students improve their skills and test scores. The teachers in their collaborations meetings are focusing in on the sections that can be improved and getting ideas from each other. If one class is finding more success, then that teachers shares what he is doing, like changing the way some questions are raised.

Plan

- Advocate purchasing more graders and chrome books and the carts with some of the trust land fund money this year.
- Mark invited us to visit collaboration meetings and see how that amazing process works.
- Mark invited input from any teachers to share with us about needs they have that need to be funded.

5. Report on digital citizenship by Amanda and Cristie.

Amanda shared that she learned that there are nine strands of digital citizenship.

She looked up some statistics about activities that go on on the internet with teenagers and shared those with us

6% of teens receive requests for personal information

54% of teens frequently have private on line conversations with strangers through instant messaging

42% of teens have posted personal information on line (even adults are guilty of this)

30% of teens have talked to a cyber stranger about meeting in person

16% of teens discovered that someone on line was an adult pretending to be much younger

4 million children are posting some kind of content to the web each day.

She talked about these new secret camera apps that parents may not know about.

Ideas:

- Originally we discussed having a table at parent teacher's conference with information about digital citizenship. It was concluded that most of us would not take the time to stop and read that information.

- Amanda brought up some ideas of an understated campaign, by putting posters or fliers where the parents visit in the building the most. Like the front office and counseling office.

Perhaps a corner in the school newsletter, all of these to start asking questions like

“Did you know....., or other questions to get the parents to start thinking about digital citizenship. She

mentioned the national PTA had a national digital citizen week in October this year and last year that we might want to join next year. It is also the same time as red ribbon week. She also suggested a twitter find

#shareawesome, it is connected to positive digital citizenship.

Plan

- Next year take advantage of national digital citizenship week during red ribbon week.
- Amanda and Cristie will put things in the school newsletter by getting it to LisaYoung a month at a time.

6. Kori Thomas reported on bullying that is reported at the school. Cyber bullying, regular bullying and how many times it was claimed to be bullying. The key to know if it is bullying is if there is one person who has advantage or power imbalance over the other.

There were 4 cyber bullying reports, 2 regular bullying where one person had an upper hand and using that power, 2 or 3 reports that were pretty mutual two people being mean to each other, usually a girl fight over a boyfriend. It is out there fortunately we don't get very many of them.

Truly this needs to go to the parents and the parents need to become educated. The administration does take this seriously. They will listen to every case.

Cristie asked if there is a policy for phones in class at the school. The real policy is that there are to be no cell phones seen or heard in class. Each teacher handles how it is carried out differently. If a teacher goes strictly by the policy when there is a violation, they would take the phone to the front office and it would be locked up. The first time the student has to meet with an administrator and talk about it and tell them what is going on and they get their phone back. The second time and from then on out, a parent has to pick up the phone. They do not get it back until 2:15. The suspension of the phone carries over to future years. They don't start over every year.

Cristie was hoping that the teachers could be told that we had a chat about this and had a concern if there is any cheating going on with the phones, is there the possibility of test scores getting better throughout the day, etc.

Plan

- We were pleased that the administration takes bullying seriously, even to the point of bringing in an officer in case it needs to be taken to the next level.
  - Mark asked Kori if she could bring us an updated report on bullying each month. She agreed to do so.
7. Laurie Stringer from counseling reported on the presentation they do twice a year in our health classes. Some of the things they cover in that presentation is defining bullying and cyber bullying, internet safety and on pornography. She shared that sometimes they get reports in the counseling office through a friend of someone who is being bullied more often than the person being bullied. Counseling is doing more data. This year they did all the English 12 classes. The admissions person from Snow College did a demonstration and let all of the kids fill out a Snow College application, so the kids can get a feel for how it is to fill one out and how easy it is. Last year they had the ISA (innovative student association) lab which has been very helpful for kids to make up work and attendance. These are held after school and during lunch. T W TH
8. Cindy Hill wanted to take a minute and thank the administration for their wonderful support to the band and even lighting the G after they won state.
9. Reminder – open house for the new gym is on November 24. It will be free to get in with free hot dogs and drinks. The varsity girls basketball team will play and then the varsity boys. Votes for naming the new arena will be ending this week if you have a vote.
10. Darlene talked about making sure to be a voice and send in your concerns to the district. Things like renewing the auditorium and other old parts of the school.
11. Community council training will be Thursday, November 12, in Provo.
12. In attendance: Mark Clements, Darlene Sweeten, Cindy Hill, Amanda Siebert, Cristie Wood, Karen Lee, Heather Downs, Kori Thomas, Brock Moore, Garth Lovell, Justin Reeves, Doug Meek, Laurie Stringer  
Excused: Cheryl Williams, Paula Harline
13. Next meeting January 6<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 12:00 at the high school.