

Westlake High School
SCHOOL/COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

March 27, 2014 – 7:00pm

WHS Conference Room

Attending: Todd Abney, Audrey Barton, Adam Bennion, Lynn Benhamm, Natalie Clark, Nicolette Fike, Tani Ireland, Fred Openshaw, Caleb Miller, Trevor Schramm, Ryan Tyson

Absent: John Festin, Leslie Jones, Michael McConkie, Kim Moir, Angela Webb

Ryan Tyson welcomed the group to our March 27th meeting. The minutes from the March 6th meeting was read and approved. Some follow-up items of business that Mr. Openshaw wanted the council to be aware of are:

- Coach McAfee, our boy's basketball coach stepped down at the end of the season. We are currently looking for a new coach.
- The Marching Band has been invited to the Pearl Harbor Parade in Hawaii. Trips of this kind are unusual to be approved by the school board however, the application has been submitted and they are raising money to help with the cost of trying to get them either to California or to Hawaii.
- Dance Company, Drill Team and Cheer all have new coaches. We are in the midst of tryout season. If you hear something in your area about parents that need questions answered, have them visit with an admin.
- Next year, we are projected to be around 2200 students. We will grow roughly about 10 new teachers. These are projected numbers. We will have to see how it shakes out in the fall.

School Improvement Plan/Trustlands

- The School Improvement Plan is to increase our graduation rate by 1%.
- We will spend our Trustlands money on the following:
 - \$66,000 Student Advocate wages and credit recovery centers such as Eastshore Center and the new Sophomore/Junior credit recovery center.
 - \$33,000 to replace one full computer lab
 - \$9,000 for subs when teachers are gone for professional development reasons
 - \$1500 ACT promotions
 - If there is additional money, it is proposed for it to be put in the credit recovery options.

The SIP and Trustlands plan was motioned on and seconded unanimously. The plan was signed by all. Mr. Openshaw thanked the council for their work this year.

SCC Elections Update

- Applications were turned in from the Riverview area, Mountain Trails area, Thunder Ridge area, and Cedar Valley areas.
- Hidden Hollow and Eagle Valley areas will need to have appointed positions. Mr. Openshaw will work on finding people to fill these two areas.

2014-15 SCC Meeting Dates

- August 5, 2014 @ 1pm
- September 4, 2014 @ 5pm
- October 2, 2014 @ 5pm
- November 6, 2014 @ 5pm
- January 8, 2015 @ 5pm
- February 5, 2015 @ 5pm
- March 5, 2015 @ 5pm

- March 26, 2015 @ 5pm
- May 7, 2015 @ 5pm

Items from Council Members

- PTSA helping fight pornography (the new drug)...could we have a Monday night, family night regarding this topic? Have the parents come with their student to an event when talking about a topic such as this is a benefit. We could use the Westlake High facility and join the Frontier and Westlake councils together to make this more effective.
- Mr. Openshaw thanked Adam Bennion for serving on the council. He is leaving Westlake for a short time to work with Chemistry teachers in Utah. We wish him good luck.
- Student council elections are going on now. Things are going well and looking forward to what next year has to bring.
- Counseling reported that sophomore CCR's are almost done and 9th grade registration opens on 4/3 at 3:30. The open labs are at the middle schools. The counselors will go to the middle schools after spring break to check the 9th grade schedules.
- The report on prom was great! Parking seemed to be the only issue. Next year it is at the state capital and it is one week sooner.
- Graduation is fast approaching. We will once again be at UVU. The set up will be the long way rather than the short way. This will allow for more seating. Our practice time has also been adjusted to 4pm therefore; we will not be bussing students to grad practice. We are going to run grad practice in the main gym. We are only going to take speakers and music to practice.
- Next year, there will be a new financial accounting system. The finance office will be going through some adjustments and several trainings throughout the summer. Checks are going to get cut at the district. The deposit refunds will not be collected at the first of next year so we don't have to give it back at the end. We are hoping this will help.
- ***Parent Teacher Conferences***
 - Wednesday, September 17, 2014 3-6:30pm Auxiliary Gyms
 - Wednesday, February 11, 2015 3-6:30pm Classrooms
- ***Back to School Night***
 - Thursday, August 21, 2014 6-8:00pm Auditorium/Classrooms
 - 45 minutes Introduction in the Auditorium
 - Review Skyward
 - Introduce Teachers
 - How To Communication With Teachers
 - General Information about Westlake
- ***Other Hours***
 - 5 hours still need to be earned outside of contract time.
 - Teachers need to make a log and track time that is used to contact/meet parents outside of contract time.

NEXT MEETING:

***SCC/PTSA Combined Meeting (SAGE Testing)
May 1, 2014
7:00pm
WHS Lecture Hall***