Westlake High School SCHOOL/COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 4, 2012 – 7:00pm WHS Lecture Hall

Attending: Tani Ireland, Rita Bowers, Caleb Miller, Nicolette Fike, Natalie Clark, Fred Openshaw, Franci Warner, Kristin Turner, Scott Masfield, Leslie Jones, Todd Abney, Kim Moir, John Festin

Absent: Ryan Tyson, Audrey Barton

John Festin welcomed the group to the October meeting. The minutes from the September meeting were read and approved.

Meeting Dates—

• The SCC meeting dates that were scheduled for November 1st and April 4th were motioned to move them to November 29th and March 28th. It was voted on and approved.

ACT/AP Data—

- ACT Data
 - Mr. Openshaw reviewed the ACT and AP data.
 - Our goal is to have our ACT data above Alpine School District's average.
 - It is improving and going in the right direction.
- AP Data
 - First year our AP pass rate was 38%
 - Second year our AP pass rate was 48%
 - Third year our AP pass rate was 51%
 - Again, we are heading in the right direction

Mr. Openshaw shared the articles from the Deseret News regarding the Top 50 High Schools in the state. This information was compiled using CRT data. Last June they had done an article showing that Westlake was ranked #43. This was using 2011 data. Then there was another article done on October 2nd ranking the high schools once again, this time using spring 2012 data. We are proud to say that Westlake has moved up 22 spots and now is listed as #21. We encourage everyone to read the article. Just another way to show that Westlake is going in the right direction!

Accreditation-

Mr. Openshaw passed out the agenda for the 2 day accreditation visit. The accreditation team will be here on October 24th and 25th. There will be a breakfast on October 24th we would like to invite all SCC and PTSA members to. It starts at 6:45am and will last until around 7:30am. This will be in the main gym. We also have a lunch that same day for the SCC and PTSA to meet with the accreditation team on more of a personal level. If at all possible, please plan on being to these events. This is extremely important and we would love all the support we can get.

Volunteers-

This year, we are ready for volunteers! Please pass out the information to your communities. We would love volunteers helping tutor students in the Eastshore Center. The cost of the background checks will be paid for by the school. If you have already had a background check in the past 2 years, you will not need to have another one done.

Message from the District-

- Jess Christen, Mr. Openshaw's supervisor, attended this meeting.
- He presented Alpine School District's mission, vision, values and goals.
- He is proud to see Westlake doing so well!

- The \$210 million dollar bond is in phase one. If you are interested in seeing exactly what has been done and what is getting worked on along with the dollar amounts that have been spent, you can see all the details on ASD's website.
- The new common core is going well.
- The new middle school proposed boundaries are being looked at. They are looking to keep all elementary schools true to feeding the middle schools. Right now, the proposal is everything west of Pony Express Elementary will go to the new middle school. There are public input meetings at the following locations:
 - Tuesday, October 16th from 6:30-7:30pm at Pony Express Elementary
 - Wednesday, October 17th from 6:30-7:30pm at Eagle Valley Elementary
 - Thursday, October 18th from 6:30-7:30pm at Hidden Hollow Elementary

Trustlands Video—

• The council watched the second Trustlands video.

Items from Council Members-

- Is there an SCC student council rep? Yes. We will get that person coming.
- We are pleased with the student government. They seem very involved and ready to help. Kudos to them.
- Is there a state law or are we mandated by the state to have more than one trainer with a team when there are multiple events happening at the same time? No, there is not a state rule. We have one trainer at all sporting events however if we need more, we can call the place we are contracted through and they have been really good to send another one.
- Should the participation fee cover the cost of transportation? The participation fee helps offset the transportation costs. We have asked that golf and tennis ask parents to help drive however, their participation fees are less than other sports. Mr. Openshaw will show the costs from the 2011-12 school year at our next meeting.
- Dress code at formal dances? The dress code at formal dances is not enforced. The administration feels that is parent decision. However, at stomps, we do try and enforce the dress code.
- We are still looking for an Eagle Valley elementary rep. Tani Ireland has posted it on Facebook to see if we can anyone who is interested. There have been no hits yet.

The Stakeholder's Report is due on November 16, 2012. It will be emailed to the council before it is sent to all patrons.

FOLLOW-UP ITEMS: 2011-12 Transportation Costs

NEXT MEETING: November 29, 2012 7:00pm WHS Lecture Hall