

Westlake High School

# SCHOOL/COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 1, 2017 – 5:00pm  
WHS Front Office Conference Room

Attending: Audrey Barton, Lynne Benham, Mickelle Bos, Janet Cherrington, Natalie Clark, DJ Conger, Erin Davis, Nicolette Fike, Ruth Gowans, Kerriane Sabey, Gary Twitchell, Christi Walsh, Kelly Woodrum

Lynne welcomed the group to the June meeting. The minutes from the March meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Twitchell thanked the committee for their time and commitment serving on the council. He also thanked them in which the way that Trustlands was spent this past year.

## Year End Summary

- We have reconfigured the Thunder Scholar criteria and what qualifies students to become eligible.
- There was over 8 million dollars in scholarship money given to our seniors.
- Fine Arts Evening—make it more unified, include visual arts. Admin will take this under our umbrella to get it to the level that is acceptable.
- Thunder Awards—The criteria for the awards must be more concrete for each award. This will also fall under the admin umbrella going forward.
- The end of the year functions for the most part were quick and efficient. Feedback from the council was mostly positive on the events.

## Trustland Review

- We should have more money available to us in the fall—we won't know this until the new school year begins.
- Mr. Twitchell will bring all options to the table at our first meeting.

## SCC Elections

- Elections will remain in the springtime.
- If positions are not filled by the first School/Community Council meeting in September, we will try and find someone for that specific area.
- After that date, if the position(s) are still not filled, they can be placed at large from any area.

## Building Use

- Options for more building space are the following:
  - Drop a trailer in the parking lot behind the football field—we will lose that parking.
  - Give us additional money to help with huge growth as well as give us some things to help with the common area.
- We are looking at offering a “0” period as well as a “10” period. This will allow us to use early morning and after school as class time.
- Increase the number of classes offered online—More distance learning opportunities.
- We will be a closed school.

## HB 239

- <https://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/static/HB0239.html>
- Westlake will work with the law and looking how to work with kids.
- The bill wants us to help students change behavior and provide interventions
- We will work with the counseling center to form groups to try and help student behavior
- We can still do something on issues; we just have to approach it differently. There has to be a consistent effort before the case can be referred to court.

## Other

- We are striving to have a late work policy, have bell ringers, have participation points for TA's, ect. to help with getting students to class on time.
- SAGE has gone away. Aspire is the new end of year test. It is a practice ACT.
- Could the trees we have lost be replaced?
- There is a need for a sidewalk that leads from the auditorium to the parking lot.
- When the parking passes are gone—they are gone.
- We need to do better about having vigorous learning through the end of the year.
- Prior to the last week of school, there should be continuous learning.
- We will ask for a copy of each teachers finals
- Teachers need to do a better job about holding students in class.
- Teachers must update grades!!!
- Students cannot be included for field trips, trips, ect., if they are not in good standing academically. This includes attendance as well.

Next Meeting will be on August 10<sup>th</sup> at 10am in the front conference room!

Happy Summer! 😊