# Westlake High School School/Community Council Meeting Minutes

August 6, 2013 – 1:00pm WHS Front Conference Room

**Attending:** Todd Abney, Audrey Barton, Lynne Benham, Natalie Clark, John Festin, Nicolette Fike, Tani Ireland, Leslie Jones, Caleb Miller, Trevor Schramm, Ryan Tyson

Absent: Adam Bennion, Kim Moir, Angela Webb

Fred welcomed the group to the first School/Community Council meeting of the 2013-14 school year. The minutes from the March 2013 meeting were read and approved.

Introductions: Introductions were made with the new group. There are new council members in the Saratoga Shores Elementary area and the Harvest Elementary Area. There are still vacant positions in the Eagle Valley Elementary area and the Cedar Valley Elementary area. Note: Debbie Clegg was elected for the Sage Hills Elementary last spring but had to resign from this position therefore John Festin was appointed to fulfill a one year term for that area.

**Chair/Co-Chair Selection:** Nominations for the SCC Chair were given. Ryan Tyson was nominated. The motion was seconded and approved. Trevor Schramm was nominated for the SCC Co-Chair. The motion was seconded and approved.

**Public Input:** There was a parent concern brought to the meeting. Concerns included:

- Students missing class—The feeling of ease of students missing class is felt to be an overall concern at Westlake.
- The student drive on education is missing
- Westlake needs to do more to keep students in class
- Procrastination with students and homework

# Ways or things Westlake is doing to address these concerns:

- Westlake will continue to have the Eastshore center to help students graduate
- Parents will continue to excuse their student when absent.
- Westlake has a new and improved TMU policy that gives students only a 2-week window to get full credit

# 2013-14 SCC Meeting Schedule

- Thursday, September 5, 2013
- Thursday, October 3, 2013
- Thursday, November 7, 2013
- Thursday, January 9, 2014
- Thursday, February 6, 2014
- Thursday, March 6, 2014
- Thursday, March 27, 2014

The time for all meetings will be at 7pm in the Front Office Conference Room

#### 2012-13 Data

- The official data will not be released until October however; our best guess for a graduation rate is 88.4 percent.
- 8.1 percent graduated with the 24 credit option
- 443 students graduated
- 500 students is in our system
- The cohort number is 584. A cohort number is when a student enters our system as a freshman, they
  become part of our cohort number. When a student leaves here, proper withdrawl codes must be given
  as well as knowing where the student went must be entered. Otherwise, the student remains part of
  our cohort.
- The UCAS report will be out on September 2<sup>nd</sup>. Every school will receive a letter grade from them based on their data.

# Eastshore Center

- 251 credits were earned in the Eastshore Center last year
- Trustlands helped fund the center—which helps immensely

# Items from Council Members

- Audrey Barton is our district SCC rep. Bring any items to her that the council would like to see taken to the district level.
- Again this year, we will not be doing class changes. The only changes that will be done are for graduation issues or misplacement in classes.
- There is excitement for the school year to start.

# Other

- Back to School Night is Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> 6:30-8:30pm
- Parent/Teacher Conferences are:
  - September 18 3-7pm General Public in auxiliary gyms
  - November 20 3-5pm Appointments and teachers making contacts
  - November 20 5-7pm General walk-in time in teacher classrooms
  - February 12 3-5pm Appointments and teachers making contacts
  - February 12 5-7pm General walk-in time in teacher classrooms
- Fee Payment night Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup> from 4-8pm

Next Meeting: September 5, 2013 7:00pm WHS Conference Room