

Westlake High School

SCHOOL/COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

December 2, 2021 – 5pm Front Office Conference Room

Attending: Deann Anderton, Lori Blakesley, Amara Bray, Karin Brown, Natalie Clark, Christie Espersen, Matthew Everett, Ben Everitt, Nicolette Fike, Julie King, Kerrianne Sabey, Harmony Seiter, Christian Smith

Kerrianne Sabey welcomed the group to the December meeting. The minutes from both the October and November meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes from both meetings were seconded and approved.

Trip Approvals

Five student trips were reviewed and voted on:

- > Thundervision to Long Beach, CA
 - Approved
- Winter Guard to San Diego, CA
 - Approved
- Dance Company to Las Vegas, NV
 - o Approved
- Ballroom to Orlando, FL
 - Approved
- Symphonic/Chamber Orchestra to Las Angeles, CA
 - Approved

COVID Update

- Our current COVID number is 27 cases
- CJPJ has been moved to outside and there will be a cap of 900 students
- Dr. Smith sent an email to parents so they are aware of where we are currently sitting.
- If we hit the 2% threshold, we will be on a "Test to Stay" status
- > Testing must be done at an official site—at home testing will not count
- > It is important to keep students home if they are sick—teachers will work with them

Attendance Policy

- Department Chairs like AW's
- We need a way to excuse tardies
- If a parent excuses absences, it will not trigger and AW
- > We are holding truancy school, not attendance school for AW's
- There are still changes that need to be made and discussions about the attendance policy. Christian will bring it back to the next meeting with changes from our department chairs.

Dress Code Policy

- This policy was created by students
- > We wanted something that we really will enforce
- > There are changes and adjustments that still need to be made. After reviewing with SCC, the policy will go back to the department chairs for further discussion. Christian will bring it back to SCC at our next meeting.

Student Senate

- Christian took 32 students to the Focus Center where our student senate worked for about four hours debating different topics.
- > They would like SCC to act as the Senate through this process. The council happily agreed to do so.

Items from Council Members

- > Kudos to the Christmas Jars Assembly! There needs to be more awareness to parents and sophomores about what this assembly is.
- Julie King discussed the redistricting throughout Alpine District—they are adding one more seat. The projected enrollment numbers, especially on the west side, are extremely large over the next few years. Therefore, the west side needs more help and more schools.

Meeting adjourned. The next meeting is Thursday, January 6th, 2022 at 5pm in the front office conference room.