



Payson High School

School Community Council Minutes

November 8, 2016

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WELCOME

Marnae Kelly

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes Motion - Marnae, 2nd - Laura, Voting - Unanimous

COMPREHENSIVE GUIDANCE

Joy Benson

Junior CCR's (College and Career Readiness) individual meetings will be held throughout November and December. Parents may make an appointment on line. We will be discussing time lines, and other valuable information pertinent to preparing for graduation. Members were given a copy of the *NEXT STEP* Planning Guide for information about colleges.

SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING REPORT

Carma and Shelly

Main portion of the meeting was concerning the realignment of grades: elementary, middle school, junior high, and high school. This realignment would keep students in the same catchment area throughout school. For example the entire elementary would go to the same middle school, the students at the middle school would go to the same junior high and so on. The 2018 bond would include the building of three new middle schools. None of this is official, yet. Surveys and community meetings will be on-going. The new elementary in Santaquin is included in the present bond and has begun construction.

The completion of the new ALC site is a very positive move for Payson. The old Neway's building is huge and will house the ALC, the district warehouse, indoor athletic facilities, and some maintenance. It is an awesome facility!

Payson High School was highlighted for its one-on-one computer program. *It was fun to have something to make PHS standout!*

TRUSTLANDS PREVIEW 2016-17

Ben Ford

A list of PHS goals for this year was reviewed. Ben asked that each member think of things that would continue to meet the goals that have been set, but also think of new ideas that we could add to help us meet those goals. This year, Trustlands has helped support tracking, chrome books, teacher in-service, and ACT Prep. The question is, "Is there better or other ways we can use to support these goals?" The budget must be tied to our school goals.

Increase funding for training of the Hope Squad. Maybe include regular times, so the curriculum can be covered in a better way than the 20 minutes of advisory.

Keep Character Ed money.

Leave money for chrome books and professional development.

Negotiate prep period time to facilitate smaller class size.

In the area of attendance maybe provide more student recognition or make challenges to students. Attendance now is around 90%. (We know that this percentage represents students who have had chronic absences since elementary. It is hard to make them comply.) Our attendance policy is followed consistently according to district policy. Truancy – attendance court – juvenile court. This is not part of Trustlands.

The importance of each student having a mentoring adult/friend/need to belong. PHS spends a lot of resources on this area! Many different ways have been tried to get kids into different advisory options. New ideas will continue to be tried.

The PLAN Test will continue to be supported by PHS. The college tours during this time will also continue to be a part of the plan. An idea was put out to charge \$5.00-\$10.00 for the tours, but give it back to them as they get on the bus, so they can pay for their lunch. Trustlands does not pay for busses.

Academic Intervention for sophomores has been successful this year, we have seen several successes. The math department has also started a Math III Essentials class. This class moves at a slower speed and has been a tremendous help to the kids who struggle.

There seems to be a great deal of support for the programs we are doing, your job for January is to come up with new ideas we can discuss and possibly integrate.

OTHER ITEMS

Next Meeting Date – Tuesday, December 13, 2016, 3:00 PM, Conference Room

Motion was made to not meet in December and come prepared to share ideas in our January meeting.

Motion – Ben, 2nd – Laura, Voting - Unanimous

Proposal – Tuesday, January 10, 2017, 3:00 PM, Conference Room

Meeting Adjourned