

SJHS School Community Council minutes - September 5, 2018

(3:00 p.m.)

Attendance - Ryan McGuire, Becca Bentley-Mila, Shauna Shepherd, Mary Jane Kiser, Kristy Strong, Christene Edenfield, Tara Pina, Adrienne Ottley, Brandi Duvall, Dan Jensen, Shannon Acor, Sarah Ferrin, Kaylyn Reed, Karen Ellingson

Absent - Tausha Lewis, Angie Daybell

Introductions

Election of Chair and Vice-chair

Chair - Karen Ellingson

Vice-chair - Marye Jane Kiser

Robert's Rule of Order - Shannon Acor helps give a definition, chair runs the meeting and asks for motions. Motions need to be seconded. Time can be turned over to principal. Agenda items can be submitted to Kelly. I'm calling for someone who would like to nominate _____ as chair?

Nomination for Karen Ellingson seconded by Kaylyn Reed.

Would someone like to nominate someone else and vice-chair, Courtney Droz nominates Marye Jane Kiser and seconded by Adrienne Ottley.

If the chair members and council are o.k., Ryan McGuire will proceed with training. Chair turned over to Mr. McGuire for training on Trust Lands and role of Community Council. Examples of interventions, activities, technology, technicians for our school.

Watch training video from the State. "School Community Council Back to School Welcome" (7 min.)

Kaylyn Reed question about digital literacy. How the school has used those funds - Examples of NetSmartz and the possibility of bringing in another person to help train students.

Karen Ellingson - are there statutory limits on carry-over money? Mr. McGuire is passing out the money for money of the schools, highlighting Springville Jr. Points out estimated enrollment 1,141, we receive a certain amount of money for each students. Our carryover was \$753.00.

We try to put all of our dollars to work for our students. The money has grown around \$15,000 from the previous year. Good stewards of the money and make sure we send money to help students be successful.

Over the last 10 years, how much variation have you seen in that amount? We were around \$70,000 at that time.

Sarah Ferrin - Asked about fluctuation, and if the amount has gone down, is that related to enrollment? Sometimes, it is related to certain money that was counted on or changes in the plan and so the amount can change.

How is Springville Jr. doing with the money - School Improvement plan. Decreases in 'F' grades, and grades have improved overall.

Reading through the 4 goals

Reduce 'F' grades - tracked through a report and SAGE helps us identify. SAGE is gone, and we have RISE & ASPIRE - which could be different, and the information we are comparing will be a little different.

Reduce class sizes - hired 2 teachers and extended day periods to keep class sizes lower. 35 is high, but most are 30.

Professional Development and teacher training for teachers. Each department met for 2 days over the summer. Adrienne Ottley talked about English taking time to plan outcomes, and goals for students. Dan Jensen talked about how they were able to create some common assessments so they can collect and compare data. Leadership retreat, we set goals and focuses, and had the new teachers join us to build culture. We have a conference Science will be going to in October and English will be hitting me up for a writing conference in the next while.

Technology goal - Giving some of our students some of the Chromebooks as rewards. We will be getting 324 new Chromebooks that will be around \$220 a piece. Every teacher has a Chromebook cart in their classes to use for the student learning. Examples of how that money is also going to support the school's dual immersion programs as well.

Last page shows our budget and how it was allocated and planning to spend almost every dollar of that. Received some last minute FTE money and so he may be able to use some of that money to support teachers. Explanation that the money the council decided for last year is being spent this year. The money the council makes decisions for with the budget will be used for next year.

Taking care of kids and roles of members of the council.

Last thing I'd like to do as we end, and not on the agenda, can we establish some norms. We'd like to respect your time and the things we are doing while we're here.

- I could recommend that we start at 3:00 p.m. and end by 4:00 p.m. Motioned by Becca Bentley-Mila, seconded by Dan Jensen
- Courtesy for others' perspectives and voices. Chair will also make an effort to make sure that everyone's voice is heard. Shauna Shepherd moved Kaylyn Reed seconds.
- A level of transparency and discretion as appropriate and agreed upon. Shannon Acor reminded that these meetings are open and public record. Dan Jensen moved and seconded by Karen Ellingson.

Question about whether school has social media. Twitter, Instagram & Facebook

- Social media use to provide links to agendas on website in a timely manner.
- Resolve conflicts in a civil way. Assume good faith of members - first priority is students.

Turned time back to Karen Ellingson. Election results were interesting. We had 5 people that received 5 votes, so all ended on the council.

Karen Ellingson said we can vote on individually. Kaylyn Reed motioned and Courtney Droz seconded.

Any other questions or comments before we adjourn. Shauna Shepherd moved to end meeting. (4:04 p.m.)