

Herriman High School Community Council Meeting

Media Center – 7pm MT

Meeting Minutes – Draft

May 12, 2016

Attending: Julie Williams (Chairman), Darrell Robinson (Vice Chairman), Jolynne Jimenez, Jason Mecham, Heather Thomas, Katherine Harbaugh, James Birch, Tricia Toponce, Brooke Ruff, James N. Crane, John Blodgett, Brad Sorenson (District), Coralee Moser (Herriman City), Blake Thomas (Herriman City)

Not Attending: Ron Mortensen, David Tilby, Jill Ames, Jennifer Samples, Trina Garlick, Holly Jensen, LaRue Edwards, Rosanne Delaney, Bergetta Smith, Tracy Roberts, Shelley Brooks, Maja Stocking

Next meeting: (TBA)

September 2016

I. Welcome & Approval of March 9, 2016 Minutes –Julie Williams

The chair motioned to approve the minutes from our last meeting, which were seconded and then approved by council.

II. Traffic and Safety Update - Herriman City Council (Blake Thomas, Engineer)

Traffic study contracted with Avenue Consultants based in SLC. Purpose was to evaluate our conditions and to make recommendations to correct issues. Access/Intersections were the focus. Entering Vehicles = 1260 during AM. Exiting Vehicles 410. In the PM 260 Entering Vehicles/920 Exiting Vehicles(Less congestion as entire student body doesn't all exit at exact same time).

1. Key Movements: U-Turns on 11800 South (24 in one day measured). No U-Turn sign out – South Jordan been patrolling but no data returned
2. AM Peak Volumes at North Lot Entrances (6000 West) – Line up causing queue
3. South Parking Lot access Volumes – Off of 6000 W Windstone Drive Traffic –
4. Parking along 6000 West –often students use to avoid buying parking pass. Danger = kids crossing busy street in dark of winter particularly.

Recommendations:

- Permanent 11800 South Raised Median – run from intersection down to the entrance. Would cause Sun Stone development to force right turn to intersection. Cost split half/half between South Jordan and Herriman City.
- Interior medians pushing students to enter the second entrance to student parking.
- One option to reconfigure to a “High T” intersection or model it to a roundabout.
- West Lot modification – force traffic back through the lot by using cones during high peak hours to avoid conflict w/the two close intersections.
- Update interior school lane markings

Herriman City Council hasn't voted/approved budget for island yet. Interior items have been discussed with school and some will be implemented over summer.

Video watched: <http://jordanbond.org/video/>

III. Counseling – Mr. Blodgett

Hard work recognized by counselors for FAFSA completion. Utah lowest FAFSA submitted rate. Is often required for various colleges to issue their scholarships/aide. Copper Hills is leading in FAFSA, however HHS passed them (40% seniors by year end will have it completed). Survey data from our Senior survey = 80% respondents have said they've applied to post-high school institution & 15% more said haven't applied but WILL be. During November so many colleges waive their application fee. Trying to emphasize college for everyone, post-high school certificate programs (e.g. Hunt electric came to present alternatives to 4 year degree programs).

AP Testing happening right now. HHS has highest number of tests given (\$66,000 worth). Trends = continuing to grow. Testing space is a challenge when we have 111 AP Tests to give but can only fit 70-80 in Tech Atrium. Overflow usage in Commons, hallways, media Center. Want the testing facilitation space be a consideration for building new schools.

Getting an 8th counselor next year. District will build two more rooms/offices in July for them.

Question asked about adding AP Economics or Microeconomics - teacher moving to Washington. Teacher qualifications are a challenge to providing the courses. Bringing in a new concurrent business management, and interior design concurrent. Trying to attract the right faculty. Two more teachers with Masters next year which enables them to teach concurrent.

ACT offered in June – may be good for sophomores. Recommendation made to send a Skylert for ACT registration deadlines. Scholarship coordinator can advertise as well.

School survey data question about most effective source of scholarship info was 1st – counselor, 2nd- text alerts, 3rd – website, 4th – scholarship labs every Thurs.

Question asked “How are testing center locations determined for ACT” – it's totally up to ACT. How do we approach them to be considered? We may be too new. We can ask them.

6 of 8 portables approved for next school year. We will not have to have a traveling teacher. Each classroom will be full.

If we start eliminating some of the computer labs as they become obsolete. We can replace them with the mobile labs and improve the space by repurposing the stationary labs.

Mr. Crane mentioned reducing # of fixed computer labs as a common discussion point by the board as they discuss the new school designs. One of the concerns is with the need for dedicated ports to plug in/network connectivity.

Feedback from district regarding our Master Schedule when Arena Scheduling ran = “Best put together in the district”. Other schools experienced issues/challenges. HHS Counselors spent months putting together.

Symphonic Orchestra will be before school hours. Mrs. Thorup will be paid for an extra period so students will get credit for it – on A Day.

IV. Dress Code Enforcement – Chair (Julie Williams)

With warmer weather/spring and summer attire we are seeing issues with midriff. Review of district policy. Mutilated cutoffs and piercings. We have two hall monitors during class change and we started announcing to teachers to do a check for dress code issues to have students brought down to the office. 10 dress code issues a day are average. Choice to have parents bring them something or chose to put duct tape on them. Or they wear sweats that say “I love my VP” – kids have liked them enough to keep them (attention/trophy). Is it possible to throw reminder up on the website??

V. Graduation & PTA– Darrell Robinson

Darrell Robinson, President elect for next school year. Feedback he’s received = “Not a lot of communication between the various schools”. Several ideas about how to get students more involved within our various schools. Perhaps art department could judge Reflection entries. Good idea/discussion about seniors dress in Caps/Gowns and do a Senior Salute – various middle school to encourage widening community involvement. Work Release for internships but what about Internships for future Teachers at elementary or Middle Schools. May assist in tutoring needs as well. We have Latinos in Action who go to schools with high Hispanic population. Our PLT does same. NHS (National Honors Society), CURE kids (anti-bullying) all do similar things currently. So then the issue is a communication issue who needs to connect to these various groups. It would be backed up with an internship class and Christie Kemp (work-based coordinator) could throw in a component with Teaching. Mr. Blodgett will connect Darrell with Ms. Kemp. It could be work-release as well.

Graduation/Senior Dinner and Awards – Very large/long. Wonderful feedback. To hire orchestra quartets to perform there was a plus. Tradition since we started. Very full, but very nice. How to scale that same event as we grow larger. Very motivating to see scholarships offered. Attendance school \$\$ at work. Not trying to make money, but use for those scholarships.

Graduation Bowling Alley Event – Darrell will find out details and email the group. How to accommodate the size of our student body? Next year we move to the Maverick Center (only can give out 4 tickets per student) – larger than UVU and SLCC both. We bumped Granite School District out.

Graduation Numbers estimated now if all comes it would be about 92%-93% graduation rate. Question posed, “Those that don’t do we track the finish rates??...Mr. Blodgett said we are coordinating with South Point HS (Adult HS). We try to make it an emphasis this year to make it higher.

Next year tentative enrollment looking like approx. 2900. Last count from district was 2941 and that counted the Charter School kids leaving and the attrition, but always about 50 kids unregistered at start of school.

Keeping school lunches to 2 scheduled. Purchased longer lunch tables to facilitate

VI. Calendar – Chair (Julie Williams)

Date for next SCC Meeting – September 21, 2016 at 7pm. With fall online registration forms the SCC sign ups will be sent out and we can determine if election is needed. The current Council may continue to serve as long as they have a student going to the school at least one year of their two-year term, particularly if no election is required. Thank you to all current council members.

Heather to email the draft to all SCC Members to review and approve the draft

VII. Any other Items Brought forth by Chair/Council – Lynn Crane

Bond presentation notes from Brad's – wants to encourage and emphasize the importance of the Bond passing. Please encourage neighbors to involve in dialogue to support the bond this year to avoid the less popular alternatives.

SLO (Student Learning Objectives) are tied to compensation. No accountability with SAGE. Teacher had 35 kids taking SAGE, but before clicking on their names in less than 4 minutes.

SLO counts on grades. SAGE doesn't. Last three weeks in class, testing. Consensus discussion = "No reason to have the test. Kids back out. Not a measure of anything." Question asked, "As a school is there a reason to not – opt out kids?" Right now the data isn't valuable.

VIII. Adjourn

Next meeting- September 21, 2016 – Chair moves to adjourn. Seconded and Adjourned.