

Herriman High School Community Council Meeting

Tech Atrium – 7pm MT

Meeting Minutes – Draft

November 11, 2015

Attending: Julie Williams(Chairman), Darrell Robinson (Vice Chairman), Jolynne Jimenez, Rosanne Delaney, Brooke Ruff, Jason Mecham, Ron Mortensen, Heather Thomas, Katherine Harbaugh, James Birch, David Tilby, Shari Bradley, Lori Hendry, J. Lynn Crane, Susan Pulsipher, Brad Sorenson, Mike Anderson

Not Attending: Bergetta Smith, Tracy Roberts, Tricia Topance, Trina Garlick (e), John Blodgett (e), LaRue Edwards (e), Shelley Brooks, Jennifer Samples, Jill Ames, James Crane (e)

Next meeting: January 13, 2016

I. Welcome to special guests – Julie Williams

Susan Pulsipher, Mike Anderson and Brad Sorenson from the District. Representative John Knotwell.

II. Approval of September 22, 2015 Minutes –Julie Williams

The chair motioned to approve the minutes from our last meeting which were seconded by Rosanne Delaney. Motion approved by council

III. Nathan Mortensen – Senior Student

Jostens assembly last week included the senior review of caps and gowns. It was about 40-50mins with only a few minutes focused on caps and gowns with the majority of the time centered on sales of additional product and memorabilia. He would rather spend the time on other items that are more meaningful. The information packet has to be reviewed with parents anyway so spending a lot of time isn't beneficial. Not enough focus on the critical information on caps, gowns, and tassel for graduation day.

Ronald Nathan Mortensen is his given name, however he goes by Nathan. On the roles he has to spend a lot of time clarifying in the classrooms. It seems unnecessarily repetitive. He would like to have the name printed on rolls in the classroom be the preferred name for each student. Prior efforts to address the issue have often resulted in communication that it is a legal requirement that the school utilizes the "legal name" on all school forms/classroom rolls, etc. Ron Mortensen, council member expressed it is worthwhile to look into an accommodation (even a software change) so that the preferred name is being used. Mr. Birch to look into it further.

IV. MAP – Mr. Tilby

1Q stats provided and reviewed with the council. Still working out the kinks where there are specific scenarios where kids aren't actually logging in even though they are taking advantage of the MAP time in the various classrooms (though not required).

Changing cards printed to once/week vs every two weeks and the change in grade required to D- or below. Nothing in the substitute plans about MAP so the substitutes are unsure what to do. Mr. Tilby mentioned subs classes are supposed to be closed to MAP. Instruction isn't clear and distributed yet. Sign supposed to be created saying "Sub Today, No MAP." Positive feedback throughout the council shared regarding the value of MAP.

V. Safety – Mr. Birch

Mr. Birch distributed a map including hardcopy for council. Handout described the safety issues currently being reviewed by the school. Many safety issues with getting in and out of our school that will require assistance from our cities to address. Separate meetings occurring with Mr. Birch and Mr. Robinson to discuss the various issues with the respective and appropriate groups.

One consideration being discussed is a student drop off area to avoid required entrance into the school. No lights or turn lanes into the school.

Comments centered on the feeling that adding new schools to the immediate area without addressing the current and future traffic needs is irresponsible.

Mrs. Delaney, PTSA President highlighted that charter schools are typically commuter schools and therefore all of them would be coming from vehicles. Susan Pulsipher commented that the charter approval includes 600-800 students. Many things to be factored in the decision making process. Herriman

City has communicated that we don't have the position to say that we don't want a charter school but we are supportive of the traditional elementary school being built.

Adding a traffic light has been researched, but it will cost \$250K plus \$30k in annual expense on a go forward. Mr. Crane commented that city planners will stick to statute so he recommends we take any of our concerns directly to city council members' vs city planners. If we could get the city council to make an issue of it we may be more successful having our concerns heard.

Darrell Robinson recommends we use our various communication channels (emails, town halls, to address our overall traffic safety issues within our community.

We have funding priority to complete the Mountain View overpasses. 2nd priority to finish Mountain View to 201. Potential to bond this year, but not sure of our appetite to finish. UDOT reviewing capacity to accelerate the existing is without dates/not on the plan.

Mr. Birch made the motion to approve Darrell Robinson take our concerns to the various appropriate groups. Jolynne Jimenez seconded and motion passed with council support of Darrell heading our safety committee and taking our concerns to the three cities and the district leadership.

Nathan Mortensen commented that the 6000 W roadside parking situation is a danger. Red curb currently painted on the school side, but not on the far side which forces students to cross the busy street often in front of less experienced student drivers. Darrell will bring that up as a concern as part of his broader efforts.

One of the fights we have in building our case includes current low accident data.

VI. Land Trust – Mr. Birch

Our Land Trust is posted on the website for us to review. Click [here](#) to access the site. Mr. Birch reiterated that having a mobile lab for every 5 teachers is the goal so that we can complete required testing. We have put a large portion of our land trust dollars into our teachers and we would like to reallocate our monies dedicated to mobile labs elsewhere IF we are able to receive other funds potentially available via the Digital Teaching and Learning Task Force shared with the council by Representative Knotwell.

Rep. Knotwell shared the efforts of the task force included the creation of a master plan adopted by state around digital teaching and learning to include: Infrastructure needs, tech support, professional development for teachers and devices/hardware. Legislature has it in front of them to approve. Challenge will be prioritizing it with the WBU and other Education Money requests. Unsure what the number will be but Jordan School District will have to apply. The plan is posted. Mike Anderson agreed to send to Mr. Birch.

We have over 60% of our teachers with under 3 years teaching experience of less. We would like to continue funding the teacher training items as much as possible.

Representative Knotwell shared 2015 session an authorized additional expenditure but we want the base to continue to build. We need to be wise about the future. We are always willing to spend more money however the desire is there for base to grow (vs downgrade base over time).

Darrell would like for us to review the Middle Schools Land Trust Plans and other feeder schools into our school. How we see the focus of those schools as we develop ours around some of that additional information. Ron and Julie actually attended the state SCC training. Joel P Jensen had a panel of participants where ideas were shared and a lot of those schools are using their funds towards mobile technology. Large emphasis on 7th and 8th grade full pod classes being completely electronic. Their device of choice is Chromebook. Teachers are putting their efforts and curriculum on Google Classroom (college readiness). Looking at what some other schools are doing as we make our decisions. Why are we not using Canvas? We use Canvas for district level trainings. Our entire state system uses Canvas.

Land Trust Draft put forward during next meeting for discussion and review with formal voting in during our spring council meeting.

VII. Boundaries – District

District representatives, Brad Sorenson and Mike Anderson shared information regarding potential boundary changes. Herriman growth requires some change. District representatives

are rotating to the various School Community Councils to review POTENTIAL boundary changes for Herriman and Riverton High Schools. Discussions include:

Potentially impacted HS = Copper Hills High School, Herriman High School, Riverton High School, West Jordan High School.

Potentially impacted MS = Copper Mountain MS, Fort Herriman MS, Oquirrh Hills MS, South Hills MS, Joel P Jensen MS, Sunset Ridge MS, West Jordan MS

Data gathering process is happening to share with the board at a future date so they hear our voice in their decision making.

Board Approved Process includes:

Boundary options researched and developed by District staff.

Patron input gathered electronically

Open houses held to gather further input and provide additional information and clarification.

Possible adjustments made to options

Recommendation presented to the Board

Boundary approved by the Board.

Board has created a 5 year plan which includes a High School towards the end of those 5 years. Bond passing would be required.

Elementary Schools slated to open in 2017-2018 school year

5 years from now HHS is slated to have 5000 students – that isn't possible. We currently have room for portables. We have 27 of 100, 7th period classes which requires teachers to teach an additional period.

Hope to get options available and presented to Board in December.

Goals of process:

Equalize access to the process

Provide individual access to the process.

Provide fair, consistent, and efficient means of offering and gathering input.

Develop options that meet the needs of students, families and the District.

Develop options that are feasible for the District.

Factors considered:

School capacity – *Herriman's capacity is 2600 based on its architecture. 25 students can be added by using portable. We are wired for 8 portables here (not yet built).*

Feeder system alignment

Input from parents, students, community

Long-term implications

Natural boundaries – large roads, ravines, highways

Feasibility and functionality

Cost
Enrollment Growth

Timeline:

Board approves school boundary procedures (Nov 10)

Meetings held with SCCs through Dec 7th

Initial options presented to Board of Ed (Dec 8, 2015)

Public informed of boundary process (week of Dec 9th):

- Letters from District

- Websites (district and schools)

- School Community Councils – *foster awareness of the process. Act as contact for those who may have questions about the process.*

- Newsletters

- Skylert Messages

Input opportunities will happen December and January (Online surveys, Open Houses scheduled at schools).

Board has provided information regarding patron input (Dec/Jan)

Board holds public hearing (January 2016)

Board approves new boundaries (January 2016)

Historic decisions – seniors allowed to finish out at their current high school. Permits – currently we have 350 (60 from Riverton, 60 from Bingham, 37 from out of district) current students on permit. This is the first year we've been at capacity. Copper Hills High has been closed to permits for a few years because they are at capacity.

District has a rolling 5 year plan because growth is so heavy and planning any further out is challenging. We redo it every year in order to always be current.

Darrell Robinson asked our representatives if we are looking seriously at electronic high school or blended options that we would provide an alternative solution to address our growth issue and to potentially offload the need for brick and mortar. BYU-Idaho cited as a success.

VIII. Counseling – Lori Hendry

Last meeting we discussed the Utah College Application week coming up this week. Preparation has included our student body officers completing activities with prizes of college gear.

Tomorrow is the big door decorating contest (first period classes will stay for MAP to do door decorating for the teacher's choice of college – competition for prizes.

Faculty pushing college. Wednesdays are wear your college gear. A lot of discussion and energy around the post-high school education topic.

November 19, 2015.

Some colleges are waiving application fees on that night – Dixie, SUU, SLCC, and Snow College
USU, BYU, UofU aren't waiving the fees.

We have a grant available if we have students who can't afford fees we are unable to pay. We have x96 radio station coming at lunch and they will interview the counselors and celebrating the college events.

We are now doing labs for seniors for scholarship assistance during MAP time to include: college research, application assistance, scholarship assistance.

In December we start suicide prevention lessons. A couple JTAC classes opening including (Criminal Justice and CDL driving (18 and older).

IX. Any other Items Brought forth by Chair/Council

Mr. Birch asked council to please get on Land Trust website to view the list of things we can vs CANNOT spend our LAND Trust Money on. Click [here](#) to review Appropriate Expenditures for School LAND Trust in advance of our next meeting.

Mr. Birch wants to thank the council for the work and effort being involved in the Herriman HS Community Council. Chair offered additional thanks to board members and legislative members for today's participation.

X. Adjourn