

HHS School Community Council

Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2015

Present: Mark Halliday, Darrell Robinson, Julie Williams, Jolynne Jimenez, Jason Mecham, Heather Thomas, Ron Mortensen, Lori Hendry, Begetta Smith, Jill Ames, Trina Garlick

Excused: James Birch, Rosanne Delaney, Brook Ruff, LaRue Edwards, Tracy Roberts, Jennifer Samples

Next meeting: May 13, 2015 (may move to end of April; Mr Halliday to Follow-up)

I. Welcome by Council Chair

II. Review and Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

Minutes reviewed and approved with corrections. 2015-2016 Budget Proposal Review should read "2014-2015 Budget Proposal Review."

III. 2015-2016 School Land Trust budget review and approval

Math Essentials classes to be built into the schedule and no longer funding with Land trust monies, rather built in to FTE. Offering Math Essentials 2 & 3.

Darrell Robinson posed the question about considering "flipping classes" where the learning happens independently at home and class time is utilized for doing homework with assistance of teacher. Mr. Robinson did research on the topic for a dissertation and offered assistance to the school if they would like to consider the option of "flipped classrooms."

Study Skills Classes will be provided as elective option.

ACT preparation classes still being funded through the Land Trust budget. Discussion centered on feedback from parents and students that the classes were very large and high-level test strategies vs deeper material covered in the 4 testing categories.

Will continue to direct funds to provide Testing/Scholarship aide as well as funding unchanged from last year for Herriman Institute for Teachers (HIT). The school will target sending a few teachers to conferences to provide increased teacher development opportunities. Will provide after-school tutoring help for both Math and Science.

Planned expenditures in purchasing Math-XL software. They're piloting in concurrent and AP classes. Additionally, 40 chromebooks will be purchased in this year's budget.

It was mentioned that the English Department is applying for 2 carts of Chromebooks (just for that department) via a grant.

Motion made & seconded to approve the Land Trust budget as discussed. Motions made; approved by all.

IV. Counseling Center Items

Lori Hendry shared positive attendance and feedback from the FAFSA night on February 10th. It was the largest attended FAFSA night that UHEAA had seen.

Recent ACT testing for all Juniors showed approximately 40 students were unable to take the test on the assigned day, but a make-up day was scheduled for March 17th where it was expected that at least half of those remaining would be taking the exam.

AP Exams – Registration ongoing with exams slated for May

Junior PLAN meetings are wrapping up with the counselors with successful participation numbers.

Sophomore Roundtables scheduled for March 23, 24 to review PLAN results, review class options for next year, registration tips, etc. Skylerts and mailers to go out regarding Arena Scheduling dates. Seniors = April 15-16, Juniors = April 17-20, Sophomores = April 21-22.

Counseling Center has printed their new Course Catalog booklets. There are a few available in hard copy in the counseling center, but electronic copy also available on the counseling website.

V. Bell Schedule Review & Approval of RTI Schedule

Mr. Halliday reviewed and committee approved brief modification to proposed Bell Schedule for 2015-2016 school year to incorporate new RTI period (immediately following 1st period) on Monday-Thursday each week. RTI (Routes to Intervention) currently implemented at West Jordan High School and has increased graduation rates despite parallel rise in free/reduced lunch participation.

Campus will remain closed during that 30minute period. Students who are scoring above a C in their classes will have the option to either work in study groups, complete homework or participate in “open-gym” time OR leverage the tutoring opportunity available in the classrooms. Those students who have reports of anything below a C grade will need to report to that class in order to receive additional help, tutoring or time to make up work in effort to improve their grades in a more pro-active vs. reactive way.

This plan still needs to be formally approved by the school board with the intent to submit it in April 2015, however a similar plan has already received approval for West Jordan HS, therefore it is anticipated to pass without issue.

VI. Parent and member Concerns and Comments

PTA president shared Providence Hall enrollment numbers. This year under 400. Next year estimated between 450-500.

Darrell Robinson shared concern regarding Safe Walking Routes from Herriman High School specifically across the Mountain View Corridor intersections and 11800 South. Mr. Halliday will research to provide insight into the numbers of students who aren't bused but live within that area. Julie Williams shared contact information for Connie Bailey(Vice Principal at Copper Mountain Middle School). Ron Mortensen and Darrell Robinson will work together to draft an

email to send to the school board after receiving broad support of the community council. Once the email is drafted they will send to the Council for review prior to sending to the Board.

VII. Adjourn