

Westlake High School

# SCHOOL/COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 5, 2015 – 5:00pm  
WHS Front Conference Room

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**Attending:** Audrey Barton, Lynne Benham, Natalie Clark, DJ Conger, Nicolette Fike, Ruth Gowans, Caleb Miller, Fred Openshaw, Kerrienne Sabey, Trevor Schramm, Aprill Triggs, Ryan Tyson, Angela Webb

**Absent:** John Festin

Ryan Tyson welcomed the group to the February meeting. The minutes from the November meeting were read and approved.

## Incentive Review Day

- This year the Incentive Review Day is on Monday, March 9<sup>th</sup>
- There is a need to have at least 2 parents from 10am – 12pm
- Parents are more than welcome to come for the full faculty presentation and training which begins at 8am if they would like to.
- School/Community Council members that have committed in participating are: Ryan Tyson, Lynne Benham, and Angela Webb

## Stakeholder Report

- This year's Stakeholder Report was sent out via eBulletin, posted on the website and by email. We did not mail it out. It is also available in all of the offices at the school
- There was great feedback about the way it was delivered as well as the way the information was given.

## School/Community Council Elections

- The elementary areas up for elections this spring are:
  - Pony Express Elementary Area
  - Blackridge Elementary Area
  - Harvest Elementary Area
  - Saratoga Shores Elementary Area
  - Sage Hills Elementary Area
  - Hidden Hollow Elementary Area

The application will be posted on the website by the end of February. It will also go out in an email and caller to the patrons. If there are more than one that apply for an area, an election will have to be held. Details will follow if that happens.

## Parent/Teacher Conferences

- February's Parent/Teacher Conferences are next Wednesday. Council members were asked to put their signs up in their neighborhoods.
- This PTC will be in teacher classrooms.
- At the next meeting we will discuss how we want PTC's to look for the 2015-16 school year.

## Trustlands & School Improvement Plan

- For the 2014-15 school year, we were allocated \$1,119,995
- We are estimating for 2015-16 \$1,150,000—that is with a projection of 250 student increase
- Mr. Openshaw is proposing the School Improvement Plan for 2015-16 be that we increase our graduation rate by .5% from 2014-15.
- Mr. Openshaw proposed some ideas that the Trustlands budget be spent:
  1. \$40,000 to upgrade two computer labs
  2. \$20,000 for teacher meetings and departments to work together (\$100 collaborative days during the summer)
  3. \$48,000 for credit recovery—including student advocate hours, Eastshore Center, and Study Skills class help
  4. \$5,000 for ACT awareness—need more advertising!
  5. \$2,000 for Improvements with higher end students—especially on Advanced Placements
  6. If there is any extra money left, put it in credit recovery or towards the computer labs.

The council asked that Mr. Openshaw visit with the math department and see if there is something Trustlands can do to help with the overall SIP. The council also asked that Mr. Taylor report how many credits have been recovered thus far in his classes at the next meeting.

## Items from Council Members

- A suggestion to have the ability for sophomores to be placed in the proper classes (proper placement) if needed, on sophomore day would be very helpful.
- Kayla Walker has left Westlake and is going to coach volleyball at Weber State. We will miss her and are grateful for the things she has done for Westlake and StudCo. Mr. Roberts and Ms Stowell will be finished with StudCo for the rest of the year.
- The NCAA Westlake approved courses needs to be updated on the website.
- The banner in the commons area of the swimmers with no shirts on is a concern. Could there be another way of having this done in the future?
- Can there be an ASL 4 class next year? Mr. Openshaw recommended that parents see Mr. Schramm with that concern.
- The counseling office reported this year's Junior's registration went exceptionally well. Feedback from the district as well as parents was very positive. Within 15 minutes of Skyward opening, there were 400 complete schedules, which is very good.
- CCR's with junior's start this week.
- Current sophomore registration starts February 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Ms. Pittard, a counselor retired and Anna Butler, who was the attendance secretary, is now the counselor in her spot. Leslie Jones is the full time attendance secretary.
- A follow-up discussion regarding the sophomore day and how we want it to be will be at our next meeting.

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### FOLLOW-UP:

Incentive Review Reminder to those members who have committed  
Parent/Teacher Conferences—How do we want them to look for 2015-16  
Ideas for Trustlands/SIP  
Mr. Openshaw math department visit—can Trustlands help somewhere in math to help SIP?  
Mr. Openshaw—Report from Mr. Taylor class on how many credits have been recovered thus far in his classes  
Sophomore Day—How will it look for 2015-16?

### NEXT MEETING:

Thursday, March 5, 2015  
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