Westlake High School

SCHOOL/COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 2, 2019 – 5pm
Front Office Conference Room

Attending: Kelly Woodrum, Nicolette Fike, Kerrianne Sabey, Lynne Benham, Erin Davis, Mickelle Bos, Gary Twitchell, Aprill Triggs, Natalie Clark

Approval of March minutes motioned, seconded and approved.

Personnel Changes
- We have received two additional FTE. This has allowed us to buy all but two English preps, all but one social studies and all but one math prep. We have bought all science and art preps.
- Currently, there is one math position posted.
- We have hired a great replacement for Asenath Rallison, who is going on a one-year sabbatical.
- We have hired a half-time position to replace Shanna Omer, which is child development and the preschool classes.
- We are also able to roll our FTE savings from this year to next—this is something that is very rare however, an exception was made on our behalf.
- A proposal to hire three additional student advocates was proposed. This would allow us to assign an advocate to each counselor. Therefore, there would be six advocates, two in the credit recovery center and 1 working with scholarships in the career center.
- The counselors are busy with more mental health issues than they ever have been—academics are sometimes missed. The additional student advocates help would bridge this gap.
- We are striving to meet all ends of the spectrum, including the middle section of students.
- The college/career center will be where the East Shore center is now. Representatives from colleges will be asked to come often. This will be ready for Back to School Night in August.
- The credit recover center (Eastshore) will be moved to room B115.
- The council made an informal vote regarding additional student advocates—it was a unanimous yes!

SCC Elections for 2019-2020
- Areas up for election are:
  - Saratoga Shores Elementary Area
  - Brookhaven Elementary Area
  - Springside Elementary Area
  - Riverview Elementary Area
- Contact will be made with current SCC members who’s elementary area is in the Cedar Valley Elementary Area to see if they will have a student attending Westlake, and if they are going to remain on the council. If they are in the middle of their 2-year term, they may continue if they have a student attending Westlake.
TSSA Framework (see image below)

- Council members are encouraged to offer feedback on the framework by Friday, May 10th. Input should consider high-risk students first, then population based. Really look at, “What is the need”?

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April 30, 2019

Dear SCC members,

Thank you for the wonderful service you offer our students! Today, I would like to bring to your attention that the state legislature, through the Teacher and Student Success Act (TSSA), will provide Alpine School District with approximately $11 million for the 2019-20 school year. By law, the money is divided into three categories:

- 70% for school support
- 25% for teacher salaries
- 5% for teacher retention

The school support portion—approximately $8 million—helps support student social and emotional well-being as well as other aspects of ASD’s Vision for Learning. The entire TSSA may be referenced at R277-977 and S.B. 149.

The law directs local school boards to develop a framework for how the funds are expended; school community councils and principals offer feedback on the district framework before it is finalized. Please share with your principal any input you would like to offer on the framework below on or before Friday, May 10th.

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TSSA
DISTRICT FRAMEWORK
70% to School Support - $8 million (80 New Positions)
- 5 Psychologists
- 5 Social Workers
- 14 Elementary Counselors
- 12 (Elem) 4 (Sec) Dual Language (DL)

25% to Teacher Salary - $2.9 million
5% to Teacher Retention - $500,000

Sincerely,

Sam Jarman
Superintendent

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Items from Council Members

Kudos to the administration for helping make this year awesome! This is the biggest graduating class in ASD, and the largest population in a school, but it hasn’t felt like we are overcrowded. The administration, teachers and students seem to have handled it with ease.

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 6, 2019 @ 5pm