

Community Council Meeting Minutes

October 6, 2014

People in Attendance: Gabriel Ruzzi, Janel Ruzzi, Chelsea Walker, Brianna Jackman, Sarah Timpson, Christine Christensen, Liz Nafus and Ciarra Nafus.

Start Time: 6:00pm

Introductions were made.

Ciarra Nafus reported on the summer reading camp she organized and ran for a week in August. The camp was Monday thru Thursday for 1 ½ hours each day. It was suggested to send out a “save the date” letter to students that will qualify for the camp next year at the end of this school year, in addition to a reminder letter sent out during the summer. (Liz and Ciarra Nafus left the meeting.)

Sarah Timpson was elected as Chairperson. Janel Ruzzi was elected as vice-chair.

Discussion was conducted on when to have community council meetings to allow the most attendance. The following schedule was decided upon. Meetings will generally be held the first Monday of each month starting at 5pm.

- November 3, 2014
- December 1, 2014
- February 2, 2015
- March 2, 2015
- April 13, 2015
- May 4, 2015

(No meeting will be held in January and the April meeting was pushed to the 2nd week due to spring break.)

Mrs. Christensen volunteered to have the video, “A Matter of Trust” added to the Community Council tab on the Truman website for community council members to watch.

The Riverton Music program was discussed. Only 6 students have signed up for this after school program and 11 students are required to run the program. Riverton Music is planning to come and promote the program with students in grades 4-6. Options of combining with another school were also discussed if the enrollment does not increase. The program would be Tuesday and Thursday after school from 4:00 to 4:45.

Sarah plans to utilize teleparent to remind Truman parents about several upcoming events.

Truman Voices is going to be held Mondays and Wednesday from 4:00 to 4:45. Several teachers have volunteered to run a reading camp for younger siblings during this same time.

The Dance program was discussed. The dance specialist is planning to put on a Dance festival at the end of the year.

“Meet the Masters” lessons are being taught on Mondays to students.

Mrs. Christensen is to ask Mr. Pope to add the safe walking route map to the school website.

Safe Walking Route was reviewed by the council and approved.

The Rules of Order and Procedure were passed out to community council members and reviewed.

Mrs. Christensen reported that the school met the goal of 60% of students meeting the DIBELS benchmark for last school year. The new goal for this school year is to have 63% of students meet their benchmark on the EOY DIBELS test. This new goal is based on the BOY of year scores where 54% of students were at benchmark. There are no scores yet available for the SAGE testing done last year so a goal has not been set on this area.

Truman’s Instructional Focus was discussed and explained to council members.

T-time was explained to council members and how it is working in various grades.

The school wide goal is to have 95% ON-TIME attendance and this is to be included in the behavior portion of the plan. It was suggested to use teleparent to make parents aware of this goal.

Mrs. Christensen handed out the Truman Elementary Vision Statement, Mission Statement, Collective Commitments and Motto. Mrs. Christensen would like suggestions on how to further the mission statement, especially the portion that states, “We will establish high standards of learning and leadership...”

Community council members were encouraged to attend one of Granite’s Parent Seminars. The one at Taylorsville High School will be on Tuesday October 28, 2014.

A preliminary agenda was set for the next meeting.

- Review Trust Lands Budget
- Family Math Night – Nov 6th
- Watch “Touch the Future”

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.