

Churchill Jr. High
Community Council Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2015
1:30 p.m.

In Attendance:

- Cheryl Marzec, Grandparent
- Cris Brimley, Minutes
- Josh LeRoy, Principal
- Katrina Stucki, Parent
- Kim Garvin-Paulding, Parent & Chair
- Randy Jorgensen, Parent
- Susan Booth, Technology Specialist

Excused:

- Allison Sowles-Reinholt, Parent
- Amy Dobbs, Parent
- Beth Pasker, Counselor & Vice Chair
- Laura Johnsen, Parent
- Nadira Yassin, Parent
- Trent Hendricks, Assistant Principal

Agenda:

Welcome:

Introduction of community council members. Katrina motioned to approve the October Community Council minutes. Randy seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Community Council:

Cheryl and Josh both attended the Community Council training. Cheryl went over some items from the meeting including Churchill test scores compared with the rest of the district and on the state level. Churchill is for the most part above the district average and above or in line with the state average.

Principal's Update:

We have enough FTE to pay for the Math and Reading labs out of regular FTE money rather than LAND Trust money and still hire a half time teacher to help with the English and History classes. Mrs. Shin resigned. Her last day will be the day before Thanksgiving Break. Positions were posted for a full time as well as a part time. Posting closed on Monday 11/9. Only one applicant. Josh and Trent will interview applicant on Wednesday. James Taylor from the district CTE department also agreed to pay for additional help for Kim Reale by having a part-time teacher come from Skyline to teach one or two classes. This will be left up to Kim as to whether she wants the extra help. Josh also went over the SSAP (School Student Achievement Plan) that goes with the LAND Trust Plan. Kim motioned to approve the SSAP and Katrina seconded the motion. Motion passed.

LAND Trust: The current plan is using LAND Trust money to fund 2 reading classes and 2 math lab classes. This has been done. We have enough regular FTE to pay for these classes rather than use LAND Trust money. Council will discuss amending the LAND Trust plan so that money can be used elsewhere where needed. Technology seems to be what is needed most. We had talked previously about purchasing new Chrome Books and carts. The price has gone down considerably and the chrome books are now stocked in the district warehouse. We currently have 3 computer labs. Susan has been doing everything she can to keep them up to date and working. There are a lot of old computers. English teachers received their own chrome book carts from the district this year, the computer labs have been freed up quite a bit. Math teachers should receive their own chrome book carts next year followed by Science the year after. The district requires that all teachers who receive chrome books be trained on them first.

One option would be to purchase enough chrome books and carts to convert two of the current computer labs into chrome labs and then purchase enough desktop computers to redo the 3rd computer lab. The only downside is that students would not be able to print from the chrome book lab however more and more student assignments are being submitted online. Susan will look at what we currently have and decide what would work best. She will report at the next meeting.

Parent Seminars on Youth Protection

Presentations on mental health, substance abuse, bullying, Internet safety and other topics. Dates for these events are January 23, 2016, 9:00 am at Taylorsville High School and February 22, 2016. 6:30 pm at Olympus High School.

Skyline Network:

Kim submitted a letter from the Churchill Community Council to assistant superintendent, Mike Fraser, requesting an open house to discuss moving 6th grade to the junior high and moving 9th grade to high school. Skyline network would be the first to discuss not only moving current 9th grade to the high school, but also moving current 6th grade to the junior high because the elementary schools are also bursting with enrollment. Letters have also been submitted from other school in the Skyline network.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.