# Cottonwood High School Community Council Meeting minutes of December 1st, 2020

**Attendance:** Terri Roylance, David Gudgell, Chris Julian, Cathy McDonald, Teresa Olsen, Tracey Arlen, Javita Henderson, Clarke Nelson, Nanette Amis, Jeremy Smith, Marci Olson, Robin Ivins. Visitors: Eliza Johanson, Mitzi

#### Meeting officiated by Chair David Gudgell.

### **Principal Roylance Time:**

- -Magic number for Covid cases is anything above 15 in the building. We are not at that number yet.
  - -Would like to get through SBO, Extravaganza, and starting Winter Sports.
- -As of last night #'s are creeping. Please keep your bubble small.
- -All sports after school activity will be doing rapid result testing next week. Staff went to Granger Pilot to train how to test. Very safe for administrators of the testing. Testing will be done on:
  - -Sports
  - -Autistic Learners
  - -Last will be students if needed.
- -Doing this to take a more proactive approach and Governor Mandated for athletes.
- -Parent Compact: see attached document from Principal Roylance. This is what is being followed to help parents, students, & everyone.
- -Branding Guide: see attached document from Principal Roylance. Need to present a uniform appearance due to the "C" being different over the years. Document has 3 options that will be voted on. Voice your option.
- -United Way is looking into using the building for mentoring.

**Mentoring program**: <u>Peer to Peer</u> presented suggestions/idea's by Clark Nelson.

- -Amanda Calton school counselor-feed back about maybe giving the students who help with this program an extra credit.
- -Principal Roylance-Privacy issues. Start with struggling on-line students 10th, 11th, & 12th grades and if successful then move it to 9th grade if needed.
- -Assistant Principal Jeremy Smith-LIA group is struggling, needing hours and maybe could use this to get their hours.
- -Teresa-National Honor Society may can help with this Peer leadership.
- -Clarke-6 weeks give or take to the end of this term and 2 weeks out for the Holidays. Would like to have it going then.
- -Eliza Johanson-United Way was going to try and check in on students. Also checking to see if one of their students was going to see about helping with the Peer to Peer mentoring.
- -Clarke speaking to Teresa Olsen-how can we see about students helping with the mentoring getting additional credit for it?
  - -Teresa-4 of the group already receiving credit. The students getting selected are already receiving credit so they won't need it. Will most likely use it for volunteer hours for their resume'.
- -Clarke to Teresa-are these group full if students want to join to receive the credit?
  - -Teresa-Those groups/classes are not full. I have 4 students in mind and will meet with them this afternoon.
- -Assistant Jeremy Smith-Can we recognize these students somehow with a plague to them at school?? To help the students struggling to help see they are having success.
  - -Still finding out that some students do not even have the internet. Students are having trouble reaching out. Hoping

rewarding them for success will trigger the need to do well.

-Eliza Johansan United Way-Teresa(school counselor) discussing middle of theroad students harder to capture. Is there a way to help them as well? The students not doing anything are easier to find. The teachers may know more about finding the middle of the road students.

#### - David Gudgell

**Video-**hard to watch on zoom. Will send out after meeting to watch. Overview:

- -Responsibility of Community Counsil.
  - -Look at Student Safety at School, what is needed.
  - -Come up with a plan
  - -Training students on the safety
- -Discuss current issue:
  - -Principal Roylance-School safety with discipline is at a minimal right now #1 concern is students on the internet.
    - -90% of issues on social media outside school.
  - -Question to Principal Roylance: Does IBUFF restrict social media?
    - -Answer Yes. Issue is weekend social media activity spilling over to Monday morning school.
  - -Cathering(Teacher)-what is she seeing as far as safety among students? Due to Covid, she hasn't seen any major issues. Usually it is students vaping but mask have changed that.
- -David-spoke to Michelle & Nanette(volunteered to work on school safety plan) and they reached out to "Save The Kids" program to see what they were doing about training groups? Of course best to do face to face is best. They suggested maybe small group training.
- -David-Principal Roylance what do you think we could do?
  - -Principal Roylance-It would have to be virtual training.
- -David-Will have Michelle check with "Save the Kids" to see if they can do

virtual training.

- -Principal Roylance-Need more safety digitally(now) and Vaping in the year to come.
  - -video clips I receive
  - -add it to student announcements
- -Tracey-Can we get Anti-vaping poster to put up around the school?
  -Will check into getting some.
- -Clarke, Principal Roylance, & Mitzi-put it on Cottonwood App for parents to see. Helps bring it to parents attention.
- -Assistant Principal Jeremy Smith-What about a commitment program
  - -sign a commitment contract not to participate in vaping
  - -students do a video stating the fact.
  - -Mitzi-Add it on to "RED RIBBON" week?
  - -Principal Roylance-Maybe can piggy back onto that week!
- -David-Anyone want to volunteer to look into these ideas?
  - -Chris Julian volunteered. Also asked is there something out there to help parents that are not internet savvy?
    - -Dave-Does "Save the Kids" have something like that?

#### -David-Roundtable

-School activities-None other that discussed previously.

## -Robin Ivins-Extravaganza

- -December 15th 1:45pm.
- -If school goes on-line before then still going to have it, just may get moved it up!
- -Mitzi & Dave offered to help.
- -David-Any changes to November minutes? Nanette's last name is Amis.
  - -Clarke motion to approve.
  - -Principal Roylance second that!

Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting to be held: Tuesday January 5th, 2021. Tentatively Room 603.