

## Cottonwood High School Community Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 5, 2021

Attendance: Cathy McDonald, Amy Thomas, Robyn Ivins, Dave Henderson, Marci Olson, Julie Jackson, Nanette Amis, Michelle Luker, Chris Julian, Clarke Nelson, Terri Roylance, Tracey Arlen, David Gudgell, Teresa Olsen, Eliza Johnson

Meeting officiated by Chair David Gudgell

- Minutes approved via email from December meeting

Updates from Principal Roylance:

- Information for Land Trust due next month. Terri sent graduation info by email, will discuss at Feb. meeting
- ACT will be given this year in March. ACT Aspire will be given in April for Freshman and Sophomores. All online this year at the school.
- College Day has now been moved to a virtual day. Terri will send out more information as the day gets closer
- Granite district is still waiting on vaccines for their faculty and staff
- Cottonwood is testing athletes/performers every other Friday. There have been very few positive cases found
- Terri reminded us of the goal of all sports using the same Cottonwood design so our brand is consistent

Items to discuss

- Peer to peer mentoring should start in January. The students will be cross trained over the MLK break and should be in place for second semester.
- Digital safety workshop is being headed up by Nanette Amis and Michelle Luker. They should have some proposals for us at the February meeting
- Anti Vaping is a concern for the school. The council is looking to partner with the junior highs to see if we can start the anti vaping message earlier since studies show that many students start in junior high. We want to take a 2 pronged approach. Don't start and how to stop. We want to put signs up in the bathrooms and around the halls. The FDA has a campaign called My Life, My Quit that looks great and we will start there. We also think that we should reach out to parents on the dangers of vaping. Terri recommended finding some people who can do a virtual assembly with stories from their own lives about why vaping is so dangerous and bad for your health. We are want to ask the feeder schools if they can add anti vaping to red ribbon week.

Julie Jackson and Clarke Nelson

- Julie and Clarke reiterated that they want to make sure all voices are heard so they can make informed decisions for the district while on the school board
- They want us to envision what we want Fall 2021 to look like. Now might be the time to make changes while we are already changing things because of the pandemic. We should be thinking of things we want to keep and things that can change.

- Terri mentioned that she would like the high school calendar to change so that A day is always Monday, B day is always Tuesday, A day is always Wednesday, B day is always Thursday and then Friday can switch between the days. This would align better with college schedules and give students more chances to take concurrent enrollment.
- Cathy McDonald would like to see Math 1010 being taught as concurrent enrollment again.
- Should Title 1 funding stay at the grade school level or should it move to the high school level with the student? This is the first year that Cottonwood has had Title 1 funding and it has made a tremendous help with the students.