Cyprus Community Council

February 18, 2016, 4:00PM @ Front Office Conference Room

Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Robert McDaniel, Tonya Aston, Leslie Bullock, Scott Wooldridge, David Page, Gary Pope, Roberto Jimenez, Lori Huber. Also present, Ann Peterson and Cyprus Assistant Principal, Brenda Zimmerman. Excused Council Members: Donnelle Dickey, Kelly LaMont, Jerry Schaffer, Lisa Bonnell, Ryan Spackman and Anne Clegg.

Agenda Items

1. Approval of Minutes. David Page made a motion to approve Council’s Minutes from December 2015, seconded by Robert McDaniel. Unanimous vote approving minutes.

2. School Courses (McDaniel) Rob McDaniel discussed growing community interest in offering more concurrent enrollment classes. Cyprus is working with Salt Lake Community College and their campus at 5600 West 3500 South to offer more courses for Cyprus students. Cyprus will be offering concurrent Biology with Josh Checketts, Ph.D. Also, there is a summer 8 week Math 1030 course which will be open for 25 Cyprus students. Every Utah college accepts concurrent enrollment credit. With respect to other courses, Computer Sciences will replace Computer Tech. Cyprus is continuing to look into options for offering welding classes on site. Physics with Technology will replace Physics. There are over 700 requests for GTI courses. Next year there will be two AVID classes for 9th grade, and one AVID class for 10th grade. Cyprus is also hiring at least twelve teachers from the local junior high schools to fill needs.

3. Dress Code (Zimmerman)

Vice Principal Brenda Zimmerman works with Positive Behavior Intervention Support. Zimmerman introduced a new Cyprus High Dress Code which has received input from Cyprus counselors, Brockbank Jr. High administration, LMT, Granite District, as well as a student and parent survey. Council members have reviewed the proposed dress code, however formal action as to this proposal is reserved until Zimmerman has met with faculty for their review and consideration. These changes are an attempt to relook at ways to reduce inconsistencies between school expectations. Prior to voting council members would like to review the overall proposal as to consequences for dress code violations.

4. Money Change to Trustlands Plan 2015-2016 (McDaniel)
Rob McDaniel provided an overview of documents proposing an adjustment of Trustland Funds under the 2015-16 year moving $22,000 to technology for an additional Chromebook lab and AVID summer conference in order to better utilize the funds allocated for this school year. Council reviewed the revised plan. Gary Pope made a motion to approve the revise Trustland Plan 2015-16, which was seconded by Lori Huber. A vote was taken and was unanimous.

5. Christmas Concert –too crowded (Gary Pope)

Gary Pope expressed concern about the overcrowding in the combined performing arts Christmas Concert. Similar observations were made by several council members. Discussion as to two concerts being offered as has been previously done, utilizing other venues, or reducing the number of performing groups was discussed. Rob McDaniel also indicated that bids were being taken for a new sound system in the gym, which may provide additional alternatives.

6. Trustlands 2016-2017 (McDaniel)

Council reviewed documents relating to the school Trustland proposal for 2016-2017. There is an increase in $45,000 for 9th grade. These line items and matters will be further reviewed and discussed at the next meeting.

7. Safe Technology

With new legislation as to Safe Technology Utilization and Digital Citizenship in Public Schools, the Community Council received document to further discuss options available to help ensure a safe technology environment for students. Roberto Jiminez discussed the benefits of utilizing the utahlnetsmartz videos. This issue will be further addressed at the next council meeting.

8. Other:

a. There was an email sent out regarding professional development meetings for faculty and parents. Council members are encouraged to attend these meetings or give information to other interested parents. Cyprus would like community feedback regarding academic interventions, assemblies, and other policy development issues with the incoming 9th/10th grade students.
b. Agenda Items for Next Time: (1) Trustlands Plan 2016-2017, Safe Tech issues, (2) Scheduling of a Community Meeting regarding logistics and transition for 9th/10th grade at Cyprus, (3) How to extend Cyprus identity through Brockbank campus.

c. The school administration will check the Cyprus website regarding date and time for this council meeting and providing agendas as well.

d. Motion to adjourn meeting by Scott Page, affirmed by Tanya Aston. Meeting thereafter adjourned.

Adjourn: 5:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 10, 2016 at 4:00 p.m.

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