

EJHS SCC Minutes 2-19-19

In attendance:

Betsy Valora (Chairperson)

Tere Gerber (School Counselor)

Kammie Jones (Parent/ Teacher at Taylorsville High)

Fern McLelland (Teacher)

Hillary Dalton (Secretary/ Parent)

Kaylee Yamashita (Parent)

David Young (Parent)

Ani Lauritzen (Parent)

Mike Valdez (Teacher)

Brandalyn Seaman (District Community Council)

Sue Weierman (Teacher/ Vice Chair)

Mark Ellermeier (Principal)

*The meeting was called to order at 2:50 p.m. by Betsy Valora. Sue Weierman made a motion to approve last month's minutes and Betsy seconded the motion. We voted unanimously to approve them.

*We were asked to watch, on our own time, the following videos as a training:

Introduction: <https://youtu.be/gnvKas3zb>

Identify needs: <https://youtu.be/GGaccHLfkmo>

Monitor and Assess: <https://youtu.be/STJG6VuPg9M>

Plan and Implement: <https://youtu.be/Ov18avrgoME>

Analyze and Understand: <https://youtu.be/45rf862azyQ>

*Brandalyn Seaman from the District Community Council joined us and shared three items:

- 1) PBG- Proficiency Based Grading has its own website linked on the Granite School District's webpage. There are concerns with PBG not being taken into consideration for scholarships for colleges and universities.
- 2) RISE and Aspire tests are taking place of the SAGE test. These tests follow the core curriculum. Practice tests are available online.
- 3) Digital Safety-Parents need to be aware of Apps teens are using. The link between these apps and anxiety and mental illness in teens are concerning. Parents need to educate themselves.

***Land Trust Allocations/ Gear Up Grant**

There is still money to be spent from the Gear Up Grant. Any school receiving the grant must spend \$16,000 on supplies from Texas Instruments. Money has been allocated for AVID and a salary for a new teacher. The principal is still waiting for approval on an after school tutoring program. If approved, he will spend up to \$16,000 to compensate teachers.

Next year's Land Trust plan needs to be finalized and approved by the SCC by March 23. Some of the goals include smaller English class sizes, more ESL classes, more library book money and AVID conference and travel cost.

***Feedback on Eisenhower Showcase**

Tere Gerber, school counselor, was pleased with how the showcase turned out. They were able to reach 60% of parents. It was well-attended and parents and students were excited to hear about what Eisenhower has to offer. Next year counselors will attempt to shorten the time. They will also leave most of the parents/ students in the auditorium and only take the Spanish speaking parents to another classroom.

***AVID Conference Update**

Twenty-two staff members are going to attend the conference in San Diego during the summer, where they will learn good teaching strategies and then be able to teach the rest of the staff what they have learned. It's expensive (\$20,000 will come from Land-Trust and \$20,000 will come from the Gear-Up Grant) but Mr. Ellermeier is confident that it is well worth it.

***PBIS Attendance cards and program**

Notes have been sent home asking parents to try not to schedule appointments during school hours.

***Lunchroom Clean-Up Feedback**

The students have been cleaning the lunchroom without complaint. The administration was hopeful that students would take pride in their school and it would lead to less mess overall. While this hasn't happened yet, it may be too early to decide whether it's working or not.

***Counselors**

Registration is finished for all three grades and will have projected numbers for the 2019/2020 school year soon.

***PTSA**

PTSA has no concerns and will be handing out lunchtime treats to the teachers on February 20th.

***Other Concerns**

The Reconfiguration meeting for the Taylorsville council will be held Monday, February 25th in the auditorium. This meeting is being held to provide information to community members about ninth graders being moved to the high school and sixth graders being moved to the junior high. Please take the online survey and voice any concerns OR approval.

***Upcoming Events:**

Friday, March 1- Job Shadow Day for 7th graders

Thursday, March 7- La Caille Etiquette Dinner for 9th graders who have paid their school fees, received good grades both academically and for citizenship.

Wednesday, March 13 - Community Council Meeting at 3:15 p.m.