Community Council Minutes

2/20/2024

In attendance:

Tere Gerber (Counselor, Vice Chairperson) Hillary Dalton (Parent, Secretary)

Ashley George (Parent, Chairperson) Bonnie Madrigal (Parent)

Wes Cutler (Principal)

- *Ashley George made a motion to approve last months meeting minutes. Hillary seconded them. All were in favor of approving them.
- * Meeting was opened with some celebrations of Eisenhower, presented by Principal Cutler. The Girls Volleyball Team made it the District Championship game! Ms. Parks and her SBL class organized a fun Valentine's Day celebration for the whole school. Every student received something, from treats, valentines, flowers, and singing telegrams.
- * It was proposed by Mr. Cutler to adopt Taylorsville High School's goal of a 1% graduation increase as our own goal. It's easier to get approval for different budget appropriations if we link it to graduation rates rather than specific academic goals. It is estimated that we will receive \$154,588.71 next year and it was proposed that we spend that money on 2 ½ contracts for core classes (an estimated \$80,000 for both), math labs (one for each grade), additional reading classes, ML support classes, 1 day a week salary for our social worker (\$20,000) and I-READY Software for reading (Mr. Cutler is working on a grant that would fund 1/2 of it, so it would end up being around \$6,000).
- **All members of the council and any other engaged parents please plan on attending the March meeting. We will be voting on the proposed budget for next year.
- *There are between 295-310 sixth graders estimated to attend Eisenhower next year. That is less than the number of eighth graders leaving so Tere said the counselors are trying to be conservative in our class schedule for next year.
- * One comment Ashley brought up is using interns to fill an FTE need. Her boundary elementary currently does this to help with teachers and budget issues. Mr. Cutler let us know that there just aren't very many students going into secondary education so to find a willing intern is extremely difficult.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Next meeting will be held on March 13 at 3:15 p.m. in the Media Center.