



Kearns High School

"Where destiny is a matter of choice, not chance."

School Community Council Meeting Notes

Tuesday, April 10, 2018

Parent Members Present: Deonna Weight, Mike Edwards, Susan Pate, Jeralynn Kjar, Danielle Mecham, Bertha Santiago

Staff Members Present: Tysen Fausett (in for Ms. Loo), Megan Angell, Misty Morrow, Ryan Knowlton

Visitor Members Present: Amanda Rosas (Parent Center), Carrie Johnson (School Board)

Meeting called to order at 4:30 by Deonna Weight

The roll was signed, agendas distributed, and everyone was welcomed.

Deonna Weight introduced Carrie Johnson and turned the time over to her. Mrs. Johnson expressed her gratitude for everyone serving on the council. She has not been able to make it due to the fact that we hold our meetings on the same night as Granite School District Board Meetings. She informed the council that she is on the School Board, she filled Sarah Meier's position, and is there to express any of our concerns to the board. She grew up in the Kearns/Taylorville area, is married to an administrator at Matheson Junior High, and is very involved in the community. She recognizes that her educators changed her life and wants to give back. She wants to report any issues that are important to our council. She is willing to present the questions to the board and will report the answers back to us. Lately there has been a lot of discussion regarding school safety, Proficiency Based Grading, safe walking routes, and school boundaries.

She has had the chance to see our SBO's and was very impressed with how inclusive they are. At Town Council Meetings she noticed that they would usher in our patrons and acted as interpreters so all voices were heard. She appreciated how much collaboration she witnessed between our administration, parents, and students. She will be a guest at our graduation this year and would like to be more involved with our community and our Council. If you would like to contact Mrs. Johnson please feel free to contact a council member as they were provided with her contact information.

The time was turned over to Tysen Fausett, who was sitting in for Ms. Loo. He handed out the updated budget for the AVID conference. It came in at \$6,081, as was projected.

Megan Angell addressed the need for the purchase of a SMART board and calculators for the new science/math intern teacher for next year. The proposition was made to use the funds from this year, \$8,361 for calculators and \$5,000 for the SMART board. This will leave about \$16,208 to finish out the PM school salaries.

Misty Morrow asked what room the new teacher would be in - 129, R. Lynn Yergensen's old room. Danielle Mecham wondered how the intern position was different from a regular teacher. Megan Angell explained that the intern teacher has a degree in his or her field, but has not student taught yet. The person will be assigned a mentor and is hired at half pay with full benefits. Danielle wondered if they tend to stay and was told it depends on numbers and performance.

There was a call for a motion to amend the budget. Ryan Knowlton proposed the amendment and Susan Pate seconded it. There was a unanimous vote in favor of the amendment.

Mrs. Angell reviewed next year's plan.

1. Increase the proficiency of secondary 1, 2, and 3 courses by 5% and reduce the percentages of quarterly F's in those same classes to increase future graduation rates.
 - a. \$76,000 for salaries and benefits
 - b. \$32,000 for Travel
 - c. \$40,000 for Textbooks
 - d. \$9,000 AV Materials
2. Increase ACT test score.

Juniors will be in special ACT classes for English, math, and science for ACT prep.

 - a. \$15,000 for salaries and benefits
 - b. \$5,000 for Textbooks
 - c. \$20,000 for AV Materials
3. Increase graduation rate by supporting at-risk failing students (tier 3) with priority given to freshmen and sophomores by providing after school classes in all school subjects
 - a. \$31,000 in salaries and benefits
 - b. \$10,000 in AV Materials

We are still waiting on the awarding of the grant for the ALEK math software. If we do receive it we will need to adjust the numbers for the \$40,000 cost. The adjustments will be used to hire aides and decrease class sizes.

Deonna Weight verified that the plan would need to be submitted by the end of April. It was verified that the proposed budget could be voted on because it was included on the agenda.

Megan Angell reported that she has purchased stickers to be placed on the calculators that were purchased with council funds. These stickers say purchased with Land Trust funds. This will help let our community know where the funds are being used.

Deonna Weight called for a motion to approve the 2018-2019 plan. Ryan Knowlton motioned for the approval and Misty Morrow seconded the motion. An individual vote was called for and each voting member approved the budget.

Mrs. Weight called for any other items. Megan Angell asked if we had heard anything on the HAWK light. Mike Edwards reported that he was told all the letters of support are in, but it is a long process and we need to be patient.

Mrs. Weight asked how the graduation rates were looking. She had heard they were low. Mr. Fausett reported that we don't have official numbers right now. Misty Morrow indicated that they tend to be low right now. When credit recovery is over we will have a better idea.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, May 8th at 4:30 in the conference room. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.