



Kearns High School

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

School Community Council Meeting Notes

Tuesday, March 10th, 2020

Parent Members Present: Deonna Weight, Jeralyn Kjar, Suan Pate, Elizabeth Slick, Stephanie Rees, Mayra Piñon, Bertha Santiago

Staff Members Present: Maile Loo, Megan Angell, Misty Morrow, Ryan Knowlton, Cheri Jacobson, Amanda Rosas

Visitors Present: Lynette Wendel, Shawn Quigley, Danny James, Nicole McDermott

Meeting called to order at 4:32 by Deonna Weight

Everyone was welcomed and asked if they had reviewed the minutes from the last meeting. Ryan Knowlton motioned to approve the minutes and Susan Pate seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

The time was turned over to Ms. Loo for Trustlands updates. TSSA (Teacher/Student Success Act) - the state let the district put together the plan to spend the budget of \$238,000. They decided there was not a need for a second committee and that the budget could be handled with the Community Council. We do not have a new budget amount for next year yet. This year we felt like the spending was successful. We spent part of the budget on two staff members - a full-time Instructional Coach and a part-time counselor. The Instructional Coach, Christine Thomas, has been very helpful with our new and struggling teachers. She has helped these teachers increase their observation scores from fall to spring. She has worked with them on data, checks for understanding, and lesson planning. Our half-time counselor has been helping with the social emotional needs of our 9th grade students and others as available. Some of the 9th grades have struggled with blending in with the high school culture. She is busy with kids every other day. Anything beyond her license is sent onto our school Psychologist, Tyson Harris.

Home visits were also planned into this budget. Grade level teams were trained to connect with kids at home and help them.

Ms. Loo will share the budget amount for next year during our April meeting and discuss how she plans to spend that budget.

The time was turned over to Megan Angell to discuss the budget items. Last month we proposed the Chromebook, computers, and boards, which will be voted on today. We still have \$138,000 in the budget to spend. Deonna Weight reminded the Council that the list of items was included on the agenda. Megan Angell discussed the proposed purchase of the book *Wild Grapes*. This is a book that was written by a KHS graduate about another KHS graduate who has overcome many struggles. They would like to use the book in the Freshman Success classes to help show the kids that they can overcome hardships and be successful. The books will be used in the course each year. Ms. Loo added that the author of the book is paying for additional sets of the books for us. This will be shared with the

students as an example of his generosity as well. Megan Angell said they are trying to get them to come speak with the classes at a later time.

Deonna Weight called for any questions. Misty Morrow made a motion to approve the purchases and Ryan Knowlton seconded the motion. Deonna Weight voted yes, Jeralyn Kjar voted yes, Susan Pate voted yes, Elizabeth Slick voted yes, Stephanie Rees voted yes, Bertha Santiago voted yes, Mayra Pinon voted yes, Maile Loo voted yes, Misty Morrow voted yes, Ryan Knowlton voted yes, and Megan Angell voted yes. The motion was approved by all and passed.

The time was turned over to Megan Angell for new proposals.

1 - Remote clickers for any teachers without them to help with advancing PowerPoints from anywhere in the room.

2 - Laptop for a traveling teacher next year

3 - Three HP X360 computers. These fold into a tablet and display for teachers to use on boards. We would like to test one out in English, Math, and Science.

4 - Personal white boards for student use in classrooms - markers/wipes as well.

Ms. Loo believes this would help with engagement in the classroom. Misty Morrow commented that she uses them for graphic organizers and to group up kids. Before a test they will write down all they know, they can draw and label, or use for quick responses. Ms. Loo agreed with all, especially the quick responses. She feels like it can help get kids excited and more willing to participate.

Misty Morrow clarified that the clickers would go to all teachers. She is concerned that, depending on where the USB is, that it won't work in the entire room. Ryan Knowlton felt like his works everywhere. Ms. Loo suggested seeing where Ryan's is placed to see why it works better. Misty also clarified that the laptop would be for a travelling teacher and that the X360's would be one per department to see if they would like to use them department wide.

Megan let the Council know that this would leave \$49,880.

Deonna Weight stated that she would add these items to the agenda for April.

Maile informed the Council that the district is taking the Corona Virus seriously and they have decided to cancel the choir trip to California. Almost all parents were in agreement as most of the major landmarks are being closed to stop the spread.

The AVID meeting may also be cancelled as the hotel is right next to Disneyland. They will be asking the district to roll those funds over to next year's budget as it was not our fault.

The time was turned over to the Rugby team representatives who came to the meeting. Danny James expressed his thanks and wanted to let the Council know what they are trying to accomplish as a team. They would really like to be involved and help kids see that it is more than just being on a team. They would like to stick with the standards we have set as a school and community.

Ms. Loo asked how many KHS students are on his team. The entire boys team is made up of KHS students. The girl's team is 95-99% KHS students and there are currently 30 girls registered. Again, the coaches stated that they would like to teach the players to respect their community and offer any help they can to the school and community - labor, clean-up, etc.

Deonna Weight thanked them for the offer and for coming.

Ms. Loo asked if they had proposed to UHSAA to pick up Rugby.

Danny James replied that they would like to see that, but right now it is a day by day. It is a popular sport in Utah that they feel teachers teamwork and unselfish play. If anyone would like to come watch they play on the KHS Soccer field for home matches. There is a match on March 28th and April 25th. They would like to advertise on social media. Ms. Loo told them she would send the info to Brett Hansen to advertise. Danny James informed the Council that they held a game last year to help raise funds for Audrick Afatasi's medical needs. This is something they would like to continue each year. Danny is a graduate - class of 2006 - of KHS and he would like to give back to the community and give the kids some of the same opportunities that he had.

Deonna called for any other items.

Nicole McDermott reminded the council of the reconfiguration meeting happening on Monday (6th grade up to the junior high).

Lynette Wendel let everyone know that her campaign kickoff is happening this Saturday at the Taylorsville Rec Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02.

Next meeting on Tuesday, April 14th, 2020 at 4:30 in the Admin Conference Room.

Addendum - the second part of this meeting is being conducted via digital communication due to live meeting difficulty.

The new proposed 2020-21 LAND Trust Plan was disseminated to Community Council members on March 17th via email by Megan Angell

Deonna Weight replied with a yes vote on March 17th.

Maile Loo replied with a yes vote on March 17th.

Misty Morrow replied with a yes vote on March 17th.

Ryan Knowlton replied with a yes vote on March 17th.

Megan Angell replied with a yes vote on March 17th.

Kami Romrell replied with a yes vote on March 18th.

Jeralyn Kjar replied with a yes vote on March 18th.

Stephanie Rees replied with a yes vote on March 18th.

Susan Pate replied with a yes vote on March 19th.

The vote is 10-0 in favor, the 2020-21 LAND Trust plan is approved.