

Olympus Junior High Community Council Minutes

October 13, 2014

3:00pm, OJH Conference Room

Present: Carole Harris, Jane Nate, Scott Gregory, Tina Seastrand, Margit Caine, Katie Graham, Natalie Boss, Jim Sheets, Jennifer Wunderli, Jessica Moody

Meeting opened: 3:04pm

- 1) Margit read April 2014 meeting minutes, Katie Graham nominated passing of minutes, Jim Sheets seconded, meeting minutes passed unanimously
- 2) Welcome new Council members: Tina Seastrand and Jennifer Wunderli. Discussion of officers for 2014-2015 school year. Katie Graham nominated Jim Sheets to be Chair. Jennifer Wunderli seconded, all approved. Jim Sheets is Chair. Scott Gregory was appointed Vice Chair and Margit Caine was appointed as secretary, all in favor.
- 3) Carole Harris presented 2013-2014 Land Trust Goal information and extensive discussion followed. Land Trust carry over from prior year is \$40,000. The Land Trust allocation for 2014-2015 is approximately \$44,000. OJH's total Land Trust budget for the 2014-2015 school year is \$84,000, and we will discuss specific costs to meet OJH needs at the November Community Council Meeting. The Land Trust program opened up Thursday and not all goals are completed yet. **A)** A 7th grade reading class for students reading below grade level will be funded using one period of FTE. AIMS Fluency Test and MAZE Comprehension Test results are used to create and evaluate this class. **B)** Smaller class sizes are desired in Secondary Math 1 to provide more individualized instruction and work in small groups. The plan is to use two periods of FTE to reduce class size to an average of 21 students/class. Goal is for students to improve by 2% by next May's SAGE Testing. **C)** Teachers receive stipends for advanced technology training. In this Professional Learning category, teachers can choose training on iPads, Smart Boards, Canvas, & Student Response Systems, etc. Teachers will receive a "pay for performance" for utilizing the new technology in a lesson or unit of instruction. Classroom utilization of new technology must be shown to demonstrate successful application in the classroom.
- 4) Carole Harris discussed the Draft of Land Trust Budget for 2014-2015. Our school library falls under Land Trust. Jessica Moody presented an analysis overview for the 2013-2014 school year. Discussion included consideration of monies to go to library funds this year as the library is the hub of the school. Discussion also ensued regarding a Portable Chrome Book Lab which would interact with SAGE testing. This would greatly alleviate demands on the Computer Lab, especially during testing season. Carole also informed us that enrollment is up this year by 21

students for a total of 821 students. By comparison, Churchill Jr. has 566 enrolled students and Wasatch Jr. has 875 enrolled students.

- 5) Carole Harris led a discussion about the school dress code. Voting on dress code is held every three years, with the last vote held in the fall of 2012-2013 school year. At that time, 78% of voters voted for the dress code and 28% voted against it. OJH will schedule its next dress code vote for the spring of 2015 with likely parent forum meeting to be held in advance of voting.
- 6) Next meeting: Monday, November 10, 2014 at the OJH Office Conference Room.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20.