

# Community Council Meeting Minutes | 2016/2017

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Thursday, October 13, 2016/3:15pm/Olympus Jr. Main Office Conference Room

Call to Order at 3:15 pm

In attendance:

Kimberly Chytraus

Katie Graham

Susan Hollberg

Sally Timmins

Rob Brough

Julie Jackson

Doug Wagstaff

Tina Seastrand

Members of the public: Dr. Martin Bates

Discussion Items

1. Olympus Network Concerning 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Reconfiguration

Dr. Bates reported that the Skyline network will reconfigure its grades for the next school year. The District does not take a position on whether a network should reconfigure and reiterated that it is a community decision. There is a Network meeting at Olympus High School on October 25 at 7 pm to discuss.

2. An Item of Business from Dr. Bates

The State Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (DABC) restricts certain sales of alcohol within 600 feet of a school. One or more restaurants in Holladay Village have requested a variance from the 600 feet restriction. Dr. Bates is not inclined to make a recommendation regarding the variance but advised the restaurants that he would seek the opinion of the Olympus Jr. High Community Council. The District also has to consider the precedent that would be set by making a recommendation. The Council discussed the issue and concluded that it is not within our purview to make a recommendation on the variance as it is the business of the DABC. We greatly appreciate the businesses in the Holladay Village. Dr. Bates then excused himself from the meeting.

2. Chair and Vice-Chair Election

K. Graham was nominated for the position of Chair and K. Chytraus for Vice-Chair.

T. Seastrand motioned for K. Graham to continue as Chair for this year.

R. Brough seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous in favor.

K. Graham motioned for K. Chytraus to continue as Vice Chair.

J. Jackson seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous in favor.

3. Discuss Norms and Procedure for Council Meetings

K. Graham led a discussion on setting meeting dates. November, December, and January the Council will meet the second Thursday of each month at 3:15 in the Main Office Conference Room. The remaining meetings will be held the second Monday of each month at 3:15 in the Main Office Conference Room.

The Council needs to adopt rules and procedures. K. Chytraus recommended that next year we bring on another parent so that 3 will be elected each year. K. Graham noted that it is very helpful to have a counselor attend the CC meetings as well.

- Action: K. Chytraus will circulate drafts rules for review.

#### 4. Training Videos on Community Councils and LAND Trust Funds

- Action: Each council member agreed to watch these training videos before the November meeting. They are located at <http://www.schoolandtrust.org/training/films/>

#### 5. LAND Trust Money

There is currently \$23,000+ budgeted for hourly stipends and \$25,000 budgeted for hourly aides. The money was meant to support the teachers in their professional development and planning as they developed enrichment activities and advisory time in the new schedule. The council would like to amend the budget to more clearly delineate how the money will be spent, including for professional development and training. The Nuts & Bolts training for August was not held due to a conflict with the District training. The council has asked Mr. Wagstaff and the teachers to make a recommendation as to what training would benefit them. We would like to find a regular time for the teachers to receive advisory training. In addition there is money budgeted for substitutes so that the departments can work together to plan their enrichment activities. Mr. Wagstaff will work with the teachers to develop a preparation schedule. We would like to be able for teachers to plan their professional development to make it beneficial for our particular teachers and school.

- Action: Mr. Wagstaff to survey teachers regarding training needs and preparation time.  
Mr. Wagstaff revisit options for Nuts & Bolts training with Julie McKinnon. Also see what other options were considered.

J. Jackson and K. Graham to provide information about local training resources.

#### 6. Discussion on New Schedule and Advisory

The faculty is really taking ownership in moving the program ahead with good results. Reports on the enrichment activities have been positive. The History Department provided activities based on Civics that teachers reported as well received. The re-teaching time is being used to recruit kids for additional help on subjects where they are struggling. The reports are that this is benefitting the kids. Many kids have said that they enjoy the enrichment time as a way to learn in a new way. The reports have gotten progressively more positive as the school year has progressed. Some parents are pulling their kids out of the enrichment and advisory time. The Council will do more education on the purpose of the schedule and benefits of these activities. We are so appreciative of the faculty for their efforts in getting behind the new schedule.

- Action: J. Jackson will draft a letter to thank the teachers for all members of the Council to sign  
J. Jackson will coordinate with the school historian and J. Moody to publicize the enrichment activities on the school website.

Adjourn Meeting: 4:30 pm