

Community Council Meeting Minutes | 2016/2017

Monday, January 9, 2017 – 3:15
Olympus Jr. Main Office Conference Room

In attendance: Principal Wagstaff, Katie Graham, Rob Bough, Susan Hollberg, Julie Jackson, Sally Timmins, Tina Seastrand, Kimberly Chytraus

Minutes for December 15: S. Timmins motioned to approve, J. Jackson seconded, unanimous approval.

Principal's Report: Discussed amendment from December meeting with Sandra Riches at District (regarding contracted services and travel). Reported on student improvement: 67 Fs have been changed to non-failing grades, and 42 students have improved to having no Fs. Principal Wagstaff is working on finding kids that are failing and make sure they are receiving intervention in Teacher Advisory time. [When we say "Teacher Advisory" it means both Enrichment and Advisory periods on Thursday and Fridays.]

January 13 the faculty is meeting to discuss Teacher Advisory time. The focus thus far has been on enrichment and intervention. Some peer tutoring is already happening in math but the Council would like to see that expanded. The Council also recommended that Principal Wagstaff meet with Principal Kim Baker (retired from Copper Mountain Middle School) to discuss ways to maximize the benefits of the schedule, support and train teachers, and curriculum ideas. Susan Hollberg suggested we tap into District resources and use their subject matter experts for curriculum development. She also suggested that for certain subjects we could bring in experts to do the enrichment (for example, a writers workshop). The Council discussed that the faculty feels overburdened by developing enrichment curriculum and implementing other teacher's curriculum. The Council discussed other ways this burden can be mitigated, such as District and parent resources and additional training and support for the teachers. The teachers also asked for more planning time on Fridays for curriculum development and training. The Council recommended that the faculty consider having the enrichment curriculum taught by those in the corresponding department in bigger groups, rather than have every advisory teacher implementing the curriculum in their own classes. The school is bringing in a consultant for training in March. The Council would prefer that training start right away rather than waiting until March.

Amend School LAND Trust Plan Goals: As discussed in the December 15 meeting, the Council discussed that "We will provide funding to support our teachers in the development and execution of our school wide Enrichment program." The amount available in the budget is \$25,000. The Enrichment program includes enrichment and teacher advisory time. The amount available is \$25,000. Tina Seastrand motioned to approve this amendment and Susan Hollberg seconded. The vote was unanimous to approve.

Report on Advisory Committees: Mr. Wagstaff proposed to use the existing student advisory committee. The Council requested that Principal Wagstaff review the plan proposed in the December 15 meeting with the faculty department heads and put in place an action plan, to be reported on in February.

Schedule for 2017-2018 school year. The Council agree to support the teachers in the faculty vote to adopt a 7 period schedule, with Teacher Advisory (which includes enrichment and remediation). Kimberly Chytraus made the motion to approve the schedule and Sally Timmins seconded. The vote was unanimous to approve.

The next meeting is February 13, 2017 at 3:15.