

YESS Program  
LAC/Community Council  
April 25, 2019  
11:30 a.m.

**Attendees:**

Jason Rosvall	Darcie Peterson
Suki Cannon	Lee Marchant
Cindy Willis	Steve Kaelin
Lisa St. Louis	Dave Koldewyn
Trina Dickinson	Trina Valdez
Lori Nadeau	Alexandra Starr
Cara Stevens	Jacqueline Bode

**Teacher Assignments - Next Year**

YESS funding requires that graduates receive academic services. Because Decker has unique staffing requirements, next year the Decker graduates will be set up similar to Connections High on a learning lab, part-day model. Brenda will be overseeing the graduates next year for part-day and helping Suki with tech. Angie will be moved back to Decker to teach social studies and science.

Dave will move to Salt Lake Valley Detention in place of Steve , who is retiring this year.

Jacqueline will be at the sStep campus transition classroom. Jacqueline has a special ed background that will be helpful at this location. The sStep campus location has been able to utilize GTI.

Connections High has been placed under Clay Pearce's direction, which is where we have our other transition classroom. Sandy will be located at this site.

Since AIM moved last year they no longer have a gym. Daren will move to AIM. He has been successful in creatively teaching PE. He will also teach English.

**Tech PLC / Professional Development/YESS Blog**

Because implementing PBG into our sites is going to be difficult, we have created a tech group to learn and then teach tech to our teachers. One source we are planning to use next year is Nearpod. Nearpod pulls information and links from many resources. Suki showed an example. Suki also showed the YESS webpage/blog.

**YESS Year in Review**

Some of the professional development that we participated in included Mindfulness, Granite Way, and Questioning strategies.

A project with Bellwether came into Decker and filmed students. The students were able to tell their story and background.

The drivers ed program at Connections transition campus has been very successful. We may share resources with Connections High next year.

The TLC (Transition Learning Center) classroom at Connections High has flexibility for students. Some may have jobs and are only able to come 2 -3 days / week. We are designed to accommodate NOJOS students who require step-down services.

Decker Lake students were able to participate in the One Heart project where they built a shed. A NASA presentation was given at UNI, Genesis and Decker. The greenhouse has been started up at Decker.

The reading tutors at SLVDT report that 85% of the students tutored have shown improvement. Cathleen at DT has been able to help with tutoring (when available) and also teaches art.

Mark at Genesis has been collecting data that shows how to best help the individual student. Bonnie has been helping with writing contests, etc. Pamela at Genesis teaches music.

UNI has shown improvement in reading scores. Hopeful Beginnings will be having a sensory mural completed soon.

AIM moved last year and they are getting things in order at the new location.

Paula and Todd at the crisis residential classroom work well together. They have had instruction from SpyHop and have taken several field trips. Jodie often uses tech in her lessons.