

Taylorsville High School Community Council

Oct 18, 2023 3:30 p.m.

1. Welcome: Sally Benson

Attendance: Sally Benson, Michelle Benson, Andra Taylor, Kelli Miller, Craig Free, Emile Gibson, Angela Preble, Brandalyn Seaman, Eric Timpson, Angela Wayman, Megan Buhler, Jennifer Ritter, Hillary Dalton

Excused: Emme Liddell, Pamela Hunter, Sabrina Perkins

Visitor: Mary Rigg (Parent)

2. Approval of minutes from last meeting (Emailed last meeting minutes prior)

Motion to approve: Emile Gibson Seconded: Brandalyn All in favor: All

3. Counseling Center Update: Mr. Timpson

- Attended Pathways to Professions at Mountain America Expo. Not sure if this will be offered next year.
- Today was the PSAT (practice SAT test for Juniors). This was the first year doing digital testing, it went smoothly.
- The month of October is when schools around the state hold Utah College Application Week. Many of the colleges waive their application fees. The last week of October, seniors will be working on college applications in their English classes.
- Beginning November 6, the counseling center will be offering college readiness appointments with juniors.
- Take a friend to GTI is coming up on November 20-21, signups will be 2 weeks before
- GTI open house is coming up January 25th.
- Last meeting it was asked if we could cover books for GTI classes since we cover books for concurrent classes. We are looking into it, hoping to do it second semester if there is enough funding, but if not, it is something we can write into the land trust budget next year.

4. Principal Report/School Update/Trust Land Goals and data: Kelli Miller

- 42 Korean student visitors from a private boarding school in South Korea visited this week, great cultural exchange and friendships built
- New mentorship program this year - teachers are volunteering to mentor individual students. Approximately 80 students so far. Focusing on students with good attendance that are struggling academically.
- First sweep of hallways and school grounds to give truancy tickets today. An announcement was made in advance and 25 tickets were given out. The purpose is to get students to class, and make hallways/bathrooms safer.
- Bathrooms are full of truant students who then make unwise choices which leaves other students feeling like they can't safely use the bathrooms when needed. Floor to ceiling bathroom stalls were put on hold until remodel.

- Prom venue was changed to the Viridian (initially the students wanted the fairgrounds, but the fairgrounds kept adding exorbitant fees for parking/security/etc. that pushed it out of budget).
- Land Trust budget: Reviewed the land trust budget.

5. New Business:

- Review Rules of Order and Procedures: due to time, this was tabled for next meeting
- Review TSSP Plan: due to lack of data, this was tabled for next meeting. When the District shifted to Focus, they canceled the subscription to the service that provided school wide data. Focus is expected to provide this, but they are still developing it.
- AVID update: Angela Preble presented an update on AVID. AVID is a program to help first-generation college bound students. It is a two-pronged approach: an elective class that serves 150 students. Also, an AVID teacher in each department provides monthly training on an evidence-based skill to teachers in the department and then has them evaluate how that skill works in their classroom. Angela presented data from the skill of the month in August (icebreakers) and September (cold calling).

6. Follow up items from prior meeting:

- Review data, including from Wellness Center: This data is still not available due to change to Focus, will follow up next month.
- Review and approve teacher grants: Kelli & Emme went through the grants and pulled out those that didn't meet the criteria for land trust funds. The remaining grants were passed out at the meeting. It was agreed that we will review those grants this month and vote on them next month. It was also proposed that we vote remaining funds in the teacher grant section to the theatre lighting project.

7. Follow up items for next meeting:

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- Review data, including from Wellness Center
- Review and approve teacher grants

Motion to adjourn: Michelle Benson

Seconded: Eric Timpson All in favor: All

Next meeting: November 15 @ 3:30