

Hidden Valley Middle School
School Community Council Agenda - Minutes
Wednesday, March 24, 2021
Virtual Meeting 6:00 pm

1. Welcome

- a. Members in attendance: Shawn McLeod, Sara Smith, Yolanda Briganti, Erin Sorenson, Lisa Labrum, Jenn Morrill, Cambrea Corbett, Kristal Flynn, Laura Simon, and Lisa Tobler.
- b. Additional Guests: Amy Gibson, Nicolas Hale, Amber Zdunich, Javan Hatch, Raimee Jensen, Sara Blaney, Kimberly Brown.

2. Approve minutes from meeting on February 18

Lisa Labrum motioned to approve minutes. Jenn Morrill 2nd the motion

3. 2020-2021 Budget

So far this challenging year we tried to add study skills classes, credit recovery, and online things to help online students. Salaries and benefits amounts increasing. \$69891 budgeted.

See attached notes for details

Due to Covid there were many free and in-house conferences. Opened up funding for other needs.

Supplies for media center \$7000 -Start up money for school year, haven't used the \$7,000 yet, have been holding it back just in case we need at end of school year.

School safety and digital citizenship. Net Smartz came in for \$985 plus tax, just over \$1000.

Every class added is roughly between \$7-15 thousand per class for a teacher depending on teacher.

Suggested we reallocate funding.

Spent \$52030 out of \$69891 and have a quarter of school left to go.

Suggested we take \$15,000 and put it in salaries and benefits to be covered.

Created 7th period class to reach out to online students. Credit recovery was then necessary for failing students.

Doesn't foresee conferences and registrations funds being used.

Proposed reallocating the \$15,000, \$7,000, and \$2,000 = total of \$24,000 and moving it up to salaries and benefits.

It has benefited the counseling department as well for Amy and Nick in the counseling department. Helped them to focus on social and emotional needs of the students.

Shawn made a motion to move funds \$24,000 to move to salaries and benefits section of trust lands budget for this school year.

Lisa 2nd the motion.

Vote to move funds as mentioned:

In favor – all

Opposed – none

Motion carried unanimously with voting members. - Need 1 more vote in favor to pass.

4. Proposal and Approval for 2021-2022 Budget

Our budget slightly increased from what was originally told.

See attached budget for details

Proposing \$7500 services & misc.

Next year won't have start up money

School safety and digital citizenship

Technology – believe it can be 0 for next year.

\$98,559 total.

Discussion on if we want to move money around in those areas.

It was mentioned that there is no baseline testing, but goals will be to continually improve in benchmarks, will get information from RISE scores and can set goals for next year.

Goals: to have funds to help pay for personnel that best support students and student learning, giving professional development to our teachers, for conferences, trainings, workshops, etc. Make sure library has what it needs for kids. School safety and digital literacy and citizenship can spend up to \$2,000 for that item.

It was talked about in PTA meeting to have emergency kits and water bottles provided in each classroom.

If we don't spend all the money this year it'll carry over to next year's trust land budget. At end of June 30th left over funds will be deposited into next year. Then at first meeting of next year it will be added and adjusted then.

Kristal Flynn made a motion to approve budget as is. Jenn Morrill 2nd the motion.
Vote to approve budget for 2021-2022:

In favor - all

Opposed – none

Motion carried unanimously with voting members. - Need 1 more vote in favor to pass.

5. School Counseling Center updates

Amy spoke – Sarah Blaney running a few groups, Javan Hatch intern counselor. After they ran the numbers it showed over 5,000 points of contact since school started. It includes Sandra the school psychologist, also includes PCCRs, mental health support, schedule changes, etc. There are 16 different codes. They feel good about the extra class period working for virtual students and another teacher with credit recovery – remediating virtual students who were struggling. Mentioned again that in 9th graders doing school online over 70% failed 1 or more class, with 3% attending in school failed 1 or more class.

They turned in review, after spring break the state will come in and will be here for over 4 hours going over evidence supporting review submitted.

More food drives happening over spring break. We gave out 10-15 food bags and have 25 or 30 bags left to anyone that might need food.

Nicholas Hale – historical it's almost been a year that we first met, thank you for support! It's been an adventure.

Amy Gibson mentioned program called Panorama. We had every student take a survey to help know where students are socially and emotionally.

Looking at putting a wellness center in for students – that's their next big goal.

Jenn Morrill asked if Panorama test was anonymous. Raimee Jensen said students put name and Student ID – it's on purpose so they can see if there are issues with discipline issues, etc, so we can learn how we can better support students in those goals. A lot of questions were based around how do you see yourself as a learner, what do you do when you have hard things, etc. Looking for trends in classroom, counseling office, administration office, etc. so we can know how to best help, if discipline referrals, etc. Not something they would go back to look at a particular student per say but gives info they need.

6. School updates

Principal Shawn McLeod – showed HVMS commemorative coin – wanted to make sure all school community council members receive one as well. Shawn will send out an email with a picture of each – picture / platinum and we'll get one mailed out so we can have one as well.

The rest of the school year – a few things happening: emergency drills.

Raimee Jensen mentioned we had our first evacuation drill and was successful. Evacuated in under 6 minutes, everyone accounted for, no one lost. Will have the Great Shakeout week of April 15th when Utah does earthquake drills. Will have one other fire drill sometime in May. Hopes other drills will be just as successful.

Talked about Surveys. Panorama survey is a social and emotional survey. HVMS is part of the first group of middle schools using this info. Next survey is the school culture and climate survey. Students take it the week after spring break. Counseling has activities during TA. Faculty has done their survey. We as a community should have received it or will receive it soon as well. The testing & accountability department sends it out to get feedback to the school on how they're doing and what they can improve on.

Shawn mentioned it's a little different than in past where you could communicate about individual teachers. Now it's just about the school in general, kids safety in school, and how parents feel in general.

7. Misc. items

End of year testing for 7th and 8th graders. They participate in RISE testing. Getting schedule together for that assessment, it'll be in May. It is for in person and online students. Online students have to come to the school to take assessment.

9th graders participate in ASPIRE which is a similar test to ACT. Results should give students and parents ideas how the student will perform on ACT test in the future. We are preparing a schedule for that as well and will share that info when they have the dates.

There are 2 test dates available for AP tests for AP Geography students.

DLI Portuguese students will have their end of year tests. It's similar to AP Exam for Portuguese. DLI currently doesn't have an assessment for it so they are going with NEWL which is similar to AP assessment and treated similarly. If the student scores 3, 4, or 5 they are earning college credit and also advances them to next course. If they don't pass they'll be able to take an AP class in 10th grade to prepare them to again take the test at the end of the year.

Will share info when they have dates.

Last final 2 weeks of school and what it will look like. Board meeting lastit was decided that 9th graders would be able to go to Lagoon. They also opened up school field trips so students can go from one school to another. This spring music classes could go perform at another school to perform.

Also the school musical has been approved to allow up to 75% capacity attend each night. We will have 4 performances and will keep 1 performance at a lower capacity for parents concerned with 75%, keeping it at a 25% capacity.

Masks will still be required to attend.

We made it!! Thanks to teachers, staff!

Meeting adjourned.