

September 14, 2016 Community Council Minutes

Council Members in Attendance:

Michele Duncan
Virginia Allred
Kathryn McKenzie
Tanya Bird
Angela Page
Shanna Barker
Marcie Hayes
Rob Madsen
Steve Kemp
Jill Smith

Faculty in Attendance:

Aaron Hogge
Kellie Robb

1. Membership officers for 2016-2017 school years nominated and approved:
Chair - Virginia Allred
Secretary – Linda Francis
2. Handling of dissemination of information etc. regarding death of Coach Yoshimura discussed:
 - a. Council felt things were handled appropriately.
 - b. Parents have inquired about fund-raisers etc. to support family. Because Coach Yoshimura was new to Centennial, most efforts of that nature are being spear-headed by Central Davis Jr. High where Coach Yoshimura taught for many years. Mr. Hogge will communicate that information to parents.
 - c. Council members indicated that there has been a problem with bullying in P.E. classes following the loss of Coach Yoshimura. Mr. Hogge will bring the bullying to the attention of the substitute coach and ask Vice Principal Martin Hardy to monitor the issue and be present periodically in the P.E. classes.
3. Several School issues were discussed:
 - a. School Size/Growth
 - i. Centennial is currently 275+ students above intended capacity and that number is expected to continue to rise until new Jr. High is completed. 10 Portables are in place and more will likely be needed for next year. Mr. Hogge is actively searching for portables for use next year and community council members will watch also.
 - ii. House organization concept is threatened by the over-load of students. However, to date organization is working and the Administration, Faculty and Community Council are committed to supporting that organization for the time being.
 - b. Lunches - Lunches are crowded, but no real issues have surfaced. Centennial will stick with two lunches and current crowd-control measures at lunch unless problems surface.
 - c. Dress Code – Community Council agreed that dress code violations should continue to be addressed on an individual basis and be kept low-keyed to minimized drawing to

much attention to the issue. If a particular student is continuously non-complaint with the dress-code, parents will be contacted.

- d. Zip Ties - Community Council members were informed that zip ties are being used inappropriately at school. Administration will continue to monitor problem and take measures to curb the practice as needed and inform parents if the problem escalates.
- e. Drop off/Pick up
 - i. Parents are not stopping at cross-walks and often using electronic devices while driving. Council discussed ideas to remind parents to be alert, patient and courteous. Mr. Hogge will send an e-mail to parents with a friendly reminder and consider asking the school officers to provide a presence during drop-off and pick-up. In e-mail to parents, he will indicate that students can be dropped-off any time after 7:30 and suggest that parents consider dropping students early to alleviate last-minute rush and congestion.
 - ii. Buses are idling for extended periods of time. Mr. Hogge will address this issue with them and also remind parents to avoid idling in his e-mail.
 - iii. Crossing guard is holding up traffic to allow students who are still approaching the cross-walk time to get to the cross-walk and cross. Some parents find this irritating. Council members agreed that parents need to be patient. No solution suggested.
- 4. Counselor's Report given by Kellie Robb:
 - a. Centennial has a new part-time counselor. Each counselor is now responsible for approximately 382 students. Recommendation for number for students per counselor is 350.
 - b. Class registration will be conducted in February instead of March. Goal is to collect class-need data earlier to identify needs and start hiring needed teachers earlier while best candidates are still available.
 - c. Extensive research was conducted to find test to replace discontinued EXPLORE test. No test is available. Kellie recommended that parents consider having their students take the PLAN test that is offered to sophomores.
- 5. SAGE Testing:

Centennial Students continue to perform exceptionally well on the SAGE tests. It was suggested that it would be exciting to have someone such as the Lt. Governor come and congratulate students on their achievements. No assignments made.
- 6. Trustland Budget:

Community Council approved money to hire an aid for the library for one hour each day so the librarian can have time to eat lunch and collaborate with teachers to determine and meet their needs.