

Community Council Meeting Minutes

Centennial Jr. High School

May 7, 2018

4:00 -4:50 PM

CJH Counseling Center

Attendees

Mara Hammer, Kellie Robb, Marcie Hayes, Cindy Jenkins, Jaynalee Peterson, Melanie Hill, Deija Peterson, Martin Hardy, Cerissa Thompson, Michele Duncan, Brooke Karras, Paul Anderson, Sara Thatcher, Michelle Thomson, Amanda Jones, Chuck Crandall

Welcome and Thanks - Ms. Cindy Jenkins, Chairperson

Welcome and introduction of new community council members for 2018-19 including Paul Anderson, Michelle Thomson and Amanda Jones

Counselor Report - Ms. Robb, Vice-Chair, CJH Counselor

Ms. Robb said that the recent 7th grade Tool Day and 8th grade Reality Town programs were a big success. Thanks to the 135 parent volunteers who helped with Reality Town, and also to those who shared their experiences at Tool Day. Coming up for 9th graders are resume writing and then interview skills on May 22nd.

Principal Report -Ms. Thompson, CJH Principal, Mr. Hardy, Vice-Principal

Mr. Hardy reported that he has been working with Kaysville City to get a grant that has passed but has not yet been funded to help with road costs. Sunset is a priority to us and the city, not just for road improvements but also for sidewalk. Talk to you city officials and help spread the word that the new road fee being discussed is really a necessity for the city.

Ms. Thompson reported that the district has hired a chairman to run the junior high boundary study. May 17th will be the first meeting with school principals. In addition to Centennial and Legacy, Farmington, Fairfield and Kaysville Jr High school principals are invited, as their boundaries might also be slightly affected. After that meeting, this chairman will meet with the board about their priorities and then begin meeting with parents. They hope to have final boundary decisions made before Thanksgiving. T.J. Barker has been chosen as the principal of the new junior high. He is currently Central Davis' principal.

Ms. Thompson also encouraged us to remind neighbors to read emails. There are many end of year activities. Also, they've had to address with the warmer weather that students need to remember the dress code. Shirts need to have sleeves. Shorts should be closer to the knee than the top of the leg, and kids should wear footwear (no slippers). Also remind your students to continue to pick up their own trash at lunchtime. The lunchroom has been so messy lately!!

The National Honor Society's service project to benefit the Northridge Food Pantry had raised about \$6000 as of our meeting, and the fundraiser was continuing through May 11th. What a great program. One out of every four students in Davis School District is food deprived. This food pantry partners with local grocery stores, so that money donated actually stretches further than actual food donations.

Activities for the last week of school: Lagoon will be offered to 9th grade students on Thursday May 31, and Boondocks for 7th and 8th graders. 9th graders can receive their yearbooks early and have it for the evening of excellence and dance on May 30th.

Health and Safety Week for Next Year – Brooke Karras, PTSA President

Brooke Karras would like to add cellphone use to our Health and Safety events for next year. There is a program out there started by Collin Kartchner, #savetheParents #savethekids. He often speaks with Dr. Christy Kane who is a digital addiction expert. The PTSA would like to set up a meeting in September. They meet first with teachers and educators. Then they also have a meeting with parents that includes Q&A. Then three weeks later they come for an assembly. We feel this would be a great addition to our ribbon week activities. Our administrators estimated that 95% of our student problems are on social media through texting, Instant Messaging, online bullying, drug sales through VENMO or other instant money transfers, sexting, etc. This is something we all care and are worried about. Even students who don't have smart phones are able to access a lot of this on a friend's device or on their ipods.

Policies are in place that allow for cell phone use in the class, and it is used by teachers for things such as Cahoots. But maybe we need alternatives in the class. Next year there will be more computers available in the building. So, less need to have them in class.

Technology is not going away, so self-control is a must-have quality. Addictive behavior is all in the same place in the brain.

Nominations for 2018-2019 and Next Meeting

Cindy Jenkins was elected to continue as chair of the Centennial Community Council for 2018-2019. Marcie Hayes was elected as co-chair, and Linda Francis was elected to continue as secretary. Mrs. Robb will be on JSSC next year and we will miss her service.

It was decided to move meetings from the first Wednesday of the month to the second Wednesday of the month for next year.

Our next meeting is set for Wednesday, September 12, 2018 in the CJH counseling center.
Thanks for a great year.