

## Green Canyon High School Community Council Minutes - Draft

December 13, 2017

Conference Room – Green Canyon High School

Attendees – Dave Swenson, Shane Jones, Cheryl Benson, Kim Parkinson, Kristy Marshall, Leann Petersen, Monica Edelmayer, Randy Grover, Rhonda Wright, Shelly Halling, Teri Rhodes, Holly Gunther, Stephanie Hamblin, Christi Carroll, Allen Grunig, Jennifer Hartman, Jared Storrs

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 am.

Stephanie Hamblin moved to accept the minutes from the November meeting. Randy Grover seconded. The vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.

Jennifer Hartman gave us an update on the changes to the Regents Scholarship. Beginning with next year's senior class, the scholarship will be more based on need. Students will be required to completed FAFSA paperwork. We should look to Step Up Utah for the most updated information. Carrie Beckham will give two presentations to parents and students on January 22<sup>nd</sup> (during Parent/Teacher Conferences) at 5:00 and 5:30.

Shane Jones gave us an update on accreditation. At present we are in the data gathering phase. Students will be completing a survey today to determine how many students are making connections with adults at the school. As the process moves forward, community council members may be asked to help in various ways – speaking with the accreditation committee or helping gather data from parents. We anticipate the process to wrap up in the spring.

Our Round Table discussion brought up the following as far as community and student reaction to the first few months of school:

- The Counseling Department has been easy to work with and helpful to students with health concerns. Canvas has also been helpful to accommodate student's needs in keeping up with assignments.
- We are seeing support for students who struggled with the transition to a new school where many friends are still at Sky View. Anecdotal evidence supports the idea that students are branching out and making new friends, partially due to the school population being smaller.
- A suggestion was made to put a school agenda on the school district Facebook page to keep parents up to date on the school calendar.
- Some swim parents have concerns on pool time and swim meet participation.
- Concerns are still being expressed about the admission prices for underclassmen basketball games. Various suggestions were made to help alleviate this problem; the issue of how to protect the gate for varsity games is still being considered. Anyone for whom these fees is a hardship should see Shane Jones.
- Scheduling is still an issue with classes that aren't taught often.
- January 9<sup>th</sup> will be Rush Week – a chance to introduce students to extracurricular activities. We recognize that some students are happy at school without being involved in outside activities.
- The PACK Pantry fundraiser brought in \$5800 to start the program. We now have food and supplies available to students in need.
- Junior prom is scheduled for February 24<sup>th</sup>. A question was brought up about the cost of dances; it is higher than other schools. The cost is set by the organization that sponsors the event and proceeds are used for that group as well as other student activities.
- The commons seems crowded during lunch with not as many places to sit. Is there a need for more tables? More seating?

- Freshman are great! Any concerns about having freshmen in with upperclassmen have not been an issue.
- Overall we are hearing good things from students and the community. Green Canyon High School is off to a great start with many good things happening.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 am.

Our next meeting will be January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 am.