

## Green Canyon High School Community Council

March 13,. 2019

Attendees - Cheryl Benson, Holly Gunther, Shelly Halling, Stephanie Hamblin, Kristy Marshall, Kim Parkinson, LeeAnn Peterson, Rhonda Wright, Randy Bennion, Darren Perkes, Dave Swenson, Terri Rhodes, Kim Bagley

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 am.

Cheryl Benson moved to accept the minutes from the December; Stephanie Hamblin seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to accept the meetings from the February meeting.

Darren Perkes gave us an update on the plans for Freshman Transitions in advance of the presentation to the School Board next month. We will be moving forward with a class entitled Current Issues for all Freshmen in the first trimester. It will count as a .5 credit Social Studies credit, which will help incoming Freshmen with their required classes. The goals for the class are to avoid problems instead of reacting to them, create a culture of support, equip students with skills needed to thrive and encourage them to engage as members of the Pack at GCHS. We want to support their academic pursuits as well as their mental health. We are hoping this provides a personal way to identify students who might need Tier 2 and 3 support. We reviewed data from an ACES study, which reported that  $\frac{2}{3}$  of students reported at least one traumatic childhood experience in their lives. The hope is that teachers will learn to Realize, Recognize and Respond to students who need additional support. We want all students to have a reliable adult mentor at the school. Teachers involved will work this summer on the class curriculum, which will be based on social and emotional learning as well as the Habitudes. The presentation to the board is next Thursday, March 21st. Terri Rhodes suggested that it would be beneficial for parents to attend the meeting in support of the proposal.

Kim Bagley gave us a report on Digital Citizenship. Studies show that the average teenager engages with technology for 6 hours 40 minutes a day. To help students learn digital responsibility, we have a Netsmartz assembly each year as well as having English and CTE teachers teach about digital footprints. A good resource is Common Sense Media, which is available to everyone.

We need to replace six members of the community council for next year - some members have had schedule changes that prevent their participation and some have come to the end of their two year terms and have students who are graduating. We will send out information and collect names of those who are interested in serving on the council. The election will be done electronically this spring.

Dave made a request for an amendment to this year's Trustlands plan. We have money that we would like to reallocate to teacher training and travel for support of standards-based training (\$10,000) and summer training (\$4000). LeeAnn Peterson made a motion to approve the amendment; Kristy Marshall seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the amendment.

We looked at the initial plan for next year's Trustlands money. The focus will be on improving instruction and curriculum and meeting the needs of our students.

Green Canyon Gives Back is still planned for April 29th. LeeAnn reported that plans are coming long. If anyone knows of a business who might like to donate for door prizes, please let her know. She will pass along a flyer and has asked us all to share it on social media platforms.

Due to time constraints, we will push back our presentation on School Safety. Apparently this was pushed back in February as well. This is in no way indicative of a lack of interest in school safety - we have just had really full agendas recently. We promise to put Randy at the top of our agenda next month.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 am.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 7:00 am.