

## Green Canyon High School Community Council

December 12, 2018

Attendees - Dave Swenson, Randy Bennion, Cheryl Benson, Monica Edelmayer, Shelly Halling, Stephanie Hamblin, Kristy Marshall, Kim Parkinson, LeeAnn Peterson, Rhonda Wright, Christi Carroll, Clint Fullmer, Shane Jones, Darren Perkes, Jared Storrs, Alan Grunig

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

Monica Edelmayer moved to accept the minutes from the November; Randy Bennion seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to accept the meetings from the November meeting. It was suggested that perhaps people aren't actually reading the minutes and I was challenged to make them more interesting. We will see how it goes.

Randy Bennion reported on a three-day conference that he attended in Las Vegas on school safety and, specifically, school shootings. The main takeaway is that we have work to do on our plans, particularly on reunification plans. There is difficulty because we have to account for every student and adult in the school.

Our current plan is:

- Run, Hide, Fight
- Come together in one of eight zones on the Greenville Elementary soccer fields. Need off-site signage to make this work better.
- We need several sets of master keys to assist staff or law enforcement in clearing the building.

We have lots of details to think about and ongoing training needs to happen. We need to continue to build a strong school community. It was suggested at the conference that although it is impossible to 100% prevent school violence on that scale, building a strong school community goes a long way towards helping students who might feel alienated and prone to drastic actions. We are also expanding See Something, Say Something to include Send Something and encouraging students to use the SafeUT app to report and concerns that they have about fellow students. This app has already been helpful in finding issues and allowing school administrators to make contact and help students that might need it.

We have a guest speaker, Collin Kartchner, coming to Green Canyon to speak to students on January 14th. He will be speaking about trends in social media. He will also be speaking, along with Dr. Christy Kane, at the USU Spectrum at 7:00 pm that same night. It was suggested that we alter the Parent/Teacher Conference schedule to allow and encourage parents to attend this presentation at USU.

We are planning "Green Canyon Gives Back" on the evening of either April 22nd or April 29th. The event is envisioned as being an annual event where community members come to GCHS and participate in performances, activities and booths sponsored by clubs, teachers and athletic teams. This would be a way for students to give back to the community and thank them for their support.

School administration is working on a document explaining School Fees and what each fee actually goes towards to help parents understand why they are being asked to pay fees. It was suggested to keep an eye on the State Legislature and what action they take on school fees during the upcoming legislative session. It is important to note that fees are necessary to run schools and programs and abolishing them would be devastating to certain activities. Be aware and pay attention to news about this!

Dave wished everyone a Merry Christmas and offered a choice of Gingerbread or Blueberry/Raspberry bread to take home; he recommended the Gingerbread after reporting that he ate half a loaf by himself. I can attest that the Gingerbread was a hit with my family. Thanks to Dave and the rest of the staff for the nice treat!

I was unable to find too many funny things to say after a sobering morning discussing school violence, anxiety and social media. A bright spot was Green Canyon Gives Back - we are looking forward to children welding in Mr. Storrs lab.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 am.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 7:00 am.