

Green Canyon High School Community Council
February 10, 2020

Attendees - Randy Bennion, Steve Bunnell, Alexis Bird, Max Jones, LeeAnn Peterson, Diana Calderwood, Shane Jones, Anita Oldham, Cheryl Benson

Meeting called to order at 7:03am

One addition to the January minutes is a link to the District Sex Ed materials mentioned by Steve Bunnell in last month's meeting. The link is: www.ccsdut.org/Page/6390.

Anita Oldham moved to accept the January minutes. Diana Calderwood seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to accept the minutes from the January meeting.

The presentation on the Wolfpack Academy given to the community council last month has not yet been presented to the school board. This will be done in the near future.

Randy Bennion presented information concerning school safety. He showed a video that will be shown to students at Green Canyon. The video depicted a scenario at a school with an intruder with a gun. It walked through the scenario with directions/explanations on what to do, what not to do, what to look for and be aware of. The main points covered in the video were explanations of Run, Hide and Fight.

Randy then talked about our safety plan as a school. The RSL building is now our designated meeting place for staff and students in an emergency situation such as a shooting. Students will assemble with their 3rd hour class in the RSL building and will be assigned to a group (8 groups total), which will also include Seminary classes. Within each group, teachers will have class lists to begin accounting for students. USU Spectrum is also being looked at as a potential for a reunification sight for students and parents.

Randy talked about the importance of our safety plan being in place and finding the most efficient way to account for every student and reunification with parents. He talked of the importance of locking classroom doors as quickly as possible in this type of situation and being out of the sight of windows. There are crowbars in every classroom and many other areas of the school to be used as needed and could be very helpful in various ways during an emergency situation. Two-deep communication is also extremely important and the DIR-S alert system is available to all teachers and can be accessed on phones and computers for immediate communication and alerts during a crisis situation.

Some of the details still being worked on are: Off-site training, 10 master keys being made to ensure immediate access where needed, and awareness of special needs students and their reactions and/or accessibility in a crisis situation and also during drills/trainings.

Some questions asked were how parents would be trained and be able to view the video and information that the students will be receiving. It had not been decided for sure, but most likely an email will be sent out to parents with information and a link to the video the students will be viewing. Another question was how the community could be more aware of what to do and

what not to do during a crisis situation in order for things to go as smoothly as possible through the chaos. This will continue to be discussed. As a side note, Green Canyon will be a site for North Logan City if needed.

Randy Bennion talked about the Literacy program and some gaps between the elementary schools and secondary schools. For 20-30 years we haven't known the reading levels of secondary school students. Great work has been done in elementary schools with the Dibels testing, but then there has been a gap when moving to the secondary schools with literacy. Efforts are being made to bridge that gap. There is a new program being implemented this year with Ryan Webb as the instructor with students that tested below a Lexile score of 900. We want all students to be at a Lexile score of 1050 or higher. The program has been extended to 3 trimesters and breaks things down on individual levels for more accurate teaching and testing. There are 17 students currently in the class and are students who are coming to school and showing efforts in improving.

There is an opportunity to nominate a teacher for the Hats off award. Anyone can nominate. It is a great way to recognize teachers who engage with their students and show passion and creativity in their teaching. To nominate go to: <https://www.csdut.org/hatsoff> by March 6, 2020.

Green Canyon Gives Back is May 4, 2020 from 5-7:30pm in the GC commons. There will be all kinds of hands-on activities, food and presentations for the community. Information has been passed on to cities to place in their community newsletters which will be sent out in March or April time-frame so the word can continue to be spread about this event. Ambassadors and student volunteers will be taking a big part in this event. Plans are being worked on to have free hotdogs for everyone and possibly a few food trucks to buy other items. Donated door prizes will also be available through raffles. Flyers for the event will be available a month or so before the event and will also be sent out electronically to help spread the word.

The ACT will be given at the school on March 3 for all juniors. There will be no school for the other grades.

Teachers have been concerned with the amount of school being missed by students for vacations. They have mentioned that it is difficult to get students caught up and some students are not taking the necessary steps to catch up. If parents can be aware of this and try not to schedule extended vacations during regular school days, it would be much appreciated.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00am.

Our next meeting will be on Monday, March 9th at 7:00am.