

## Syracuse High School Community Council Minutes

**January, 2018**

**Attendance:** Jed Johansen, Scott Thorne, Devin Rogers, Jaren Argyle, Kelly Bennett, Jared Martin. Ashley Maddox, Mark Pendleton, Mark Jolley, Natalee Flynn, Matt Bingham, Kimberly Moore, Vicki Hassard, Jen Affleck.

Scott Thorne motioned to approve minutes. Kelly 2<sup>nd</sup>. All were in favor.

**Each member of the CC received a copy of the following information:** December Minutes, January agenda, copy of senior transition seminar and core classes for high honor roll criteria.

**Student Gov.-** Kemri- We were able to donate \$81,000 to Make A Wish because of our Santa Letters. We also donated 6 big bins of clothing and household items to Lantern House.

**Counseling Update-** Kim- Next week counselors will be meeting with sophomores and parents to schedule classes for next year. Next month will be the Titan preview on February 20<sup>th</sup> for incoming sophomores. Getting ready for the practice ACT on 1/18 and the real ACT on 2/20. Starting on semester schedule changes. We will be offering a bunch of new courses next year.

**News from CTE Visit —** Mark P.- They Egyptians visited 18-19 classes and loved it. They had a presentation and had question after question. It went really good.

**Grade Replacement Info-** Mark P.- Students can now retake a class and *replace* a grade. They can use any institution (online, doing a packet etc.) This would replace the previous grade and leave no trace of it. This is different than remediation, where they just retrieve the credit, but that first grade still remains on the student's transcript. There are pros and cons to this. . . . *Discussion ensued.*

**Online classes-** Mark P.- If kids are self-motivated they can do it. This is not for everyone. Coming up we will have a more firm policy on what to do when students need to drop a class. It's been on a case to case basis. There are currently 9 approved placed to do online credit. . . .*Discussion ensued*

### **Business: Jed Johansen**

- **High Honor Roll Requirements** 3.75 and above, 3 Titan Talks & 3 classes from at least 2 areas from a list this is evolving.
- **ACT Opportunity- January 18<sup>th</sup>** - A/B Day 8:00 a.m. We will send an email to all sophomore and Jr. parents. We will send a separate email to all senior parents. That day the seniors will have a senior transition fair. That will count as 2 Titan Talks. Our goal is to try to get as many students here that day as possible. It is a mandatory school day. English teachers will advertise this to classes.

### **Information Items-**

- End of semester January 12<sup>th</sup>. No school Monday 1/15 for MLK Jr. day. Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup> will be a teacher work day. No school for students.
- Netsmartz assembly January 24<sup>th</sup>. They will hit on staying safe on social media and sextortion. We will try to get some info out to parents on our website.