

Woods Cross High School Community Council  
Meeting Minutes from October 7, 2015

Woods Cross High School held its Community Council Meeting on October 7, 2015 at 2:30 p.m. This meeting was held in the Conference room at Woods Cross High School. Members in attendance were: Principal Haning, Travis Lund, Cary Jo Nieman, Debra Johnson, Elizabeth Mumford, Maren Hansen, Annette Nielsen, Gina Kossioris, J.B. Eyring and Catherine Johnson

1. Motion to approve minutes from the meeting in May was presented by Cary Jo Nieman, seconded by Catherine Johnson. The motion passed.
2. Election of Chair/ Vice –Chair: Elizabeth Mumford was voted in as Chair. Catherine Johnson as Vice-Chair.
3. Meeting Schedule: The meetings will continue to be held on the first Wednesday of each month. They will begin at 2:30 in the conference room at Woods Cross High School.
4. Community Council page on school website
  - a. All Council member's names and emails will be put on the page. No phone numbers.
  - b. Agendas and minutes will be posted online.
  - c. For any changes in minutes contact Travis Lund
  - d. We were walked through the WX website to see where to get information pertaining to Community Council.
5. Student Body President's update:
  - a. Homecoming was a great success.
  - b. Working on the next 2 dances.
    - i. Sadie's will be held in Farmington
    - ii. Christmas Dance will be held at the State Fairgrounds
  - c. November 21 will be our Service dinner. Many clubs will help with this.
  - d. Football tailgating is going well. We have several sponsors.
  - e. Planning for Sub for Santa in December is underway.
  - f. Spirit week is the week after next (after UEA).
    - i. Spirit Bowl on the 23<sup>rd</sup>
    - ii. Activities every day including twin day, Hawaiian Day, Class Color day
    - iii. Will have a # for the week – using a lot of social media for the week.
6. Principal's report
  - a. Update on concerts – choir and band at the end of the month
  - b. Theatre Heroes and Villains to begin this week. They will also announce the play for the year.
  - c. Update on autumn sports
  - d. Discussion of staff. 15 New staff members. 43 new staff hired in the past 4 years. 36 have stayed on.
  - e. Parent teacher conferences.
    - i. Attendance was about the same as always. There was discussion as to how to publicize it better. There were comments that people did not know about them. It had been published online but everyone felt there needed to be more.
    - ii. Maren Hansen and Annette Nielsen commented that many teachers prefer email contact with parents.
    - iii. Debra Johnson suggested appointments with teachers.
  - f. School Remodel
    - i. Architect has been hired
    - ii. Ist Phase is on the current bond
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  2. Science will be updated and will be the new rooms.
  3. Will begin this coming spring or summer.
  4. Construction will be bid out at end of October beginning of November.
  5. Might cause parking problems. Will probably have to use driving range.
  6. Phase 1 should be finished by 2017
- iii. Phase 2
1. New media center, administration, counseling and cafeteria.
- g. School Grade is B (from Sage Scores)
- i. We are down in writing but have implemented new programs with English department (and other departments) to increase our proficiency.
  - ii. Chemistry and Physics we ranked highest
  - iii. Math scores right at district level.
  - iiii. Biology scores down. Much of this is due to the number of advanced students who take Biology in Jr. High.
  - v. Another problem is that students can, and many high scoring students do, opt out of taking the Sage tests.
7. School Improvement Plan
- a. Money adjustments for trustlands money. It was purposed that we move \$900 to provide “scholarships” for 20 students to participate ACT prep class offered at WX. This class identifies which subscores the students need particular help on. This class is open to other students as well but they will have to pay \$80.
  - b. Motion by Debra Johnson. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Annette Nielsen. All approved.
  - c. The teacher we had lined up for a writing class discussed last year from Weber State fell through. Instead we are funding a CE English 110 and Criminal Justice in Farmington. This has been a great success. Weber may add more classes.
  - d. The CE classes are to help benefit students who are not ready or desiring AP classes but would like something more than regular classes.
8. Counseling update
- a. College days went well. 300+ students attended.
  - b. We have 3 National Merit semi-finalists
    - i. Eleanor Bouley
    - ii. Chris Hughes
    - iii. Griffin Holt
  - c. November 18<sup>th</sup> Post HS Days
    - i. May want help from PTSA
    - ii. Increasing schools this year with place like massage therapy etc.
    - iii. College Application day is coming up. Many colleges attending will wave the application fee if students apply that day.
9. PTSA
- a. Red Ribbon Week the first week of November.
10. Meeting adjourned 3:35