

Woods Cross High School Community Council
Meeting Minutes from March 7, 2018

Woods Cross High School held its Community Council Meeting on March 7, 2018 at 2:30 pm. This meeting was held in the Conference room at Woods Cross High School. Members in attendance were: Laura Gabel, Travis Lund, Maren Hansen, Wendy McLachlan, Sophia Caligiuri, Cary Jo Nieman, Pat Limas, John Haning, Rachel Petersen, Stéphane Preston, Elaine Oaks, Liz Mumford, Allison Freeman, Eric Grisby, Marly Ferrin, Catherine Johnson

1. Minutes of the February meeting were approved. Minutes are available on the school web site.

2. Travis Lund reviewed the School Improvement Plan.

Travis and Laura will meet at a Learning First planning day with the Junior High on March 29th to present our school improvement plan. The plan will need to be finalized before that time. It is broken down into 4 goals:

#1-Increase number of students receiving credit for college level courses.

Increased from last year, will continue to work towards this goal. IVC lab installation will be funded with \$35,000 one time funding. Will only cost \$2-3,000 to maintain the lab in the future. College courses can be offered during school and also during evenings if the demand is there. IT Pathway courses have been the most requested. Also included in the funding are two half FTE's for teachers in CE courses.

#2-Increase math proficiency.

Post-test has not been given, but a mid-year test has. The students are staying at a passing level where they were failing at the end of last year. Basic skills for the course are tested. Mastery quizzes are given to determine exact skills that a student needs help on. Labs are designed to help students who are not proficient in math become proficient by the end of the next level. Math department is working on a way to identify those students coming from 9th grade so that labs can be used sooner to help them. Funding includes 1/2 FTE for teachers in the math labs.

#3-Increase number of students applying for scholarships.

Scholarship coordinator continues to meet with students and lets them know about scholarships. Funding will continue to pay for scholarship coordinator's salary.

#4-Maintain graduation rate and increase sub group graduation rate.

Sub group graduation rates have continued to improve. Goal is to improve another 2% next year. Attendance tracking and make-up credit options are being used. Funding will continue to pay for the tracker salary. There has been a grant in place this year for additional tracking of academics which has been helpful.

The English tutor in writing and reading that has been funded in the past from Trust Land money will continue, but will be funded from AP Funds for next year.

Members are encouraged to provide input for the next month before it is finalized for presentation.

3. Student Body President's report – Sophie Caligiuri

Wish week is underway. The goal is to fund a young patient's trip to Hawaii. Funds are adding up. Powder Buff boy's volleyball will take place tomorrow to raise funds for Wish. Assembly on Friday will also collect more money for the cause. Chick-Fil-A will sponsor a day to donate sales, and there will be a Wish dance on Saturday.

Olivia Massey has been elected as SBO President for 2018-2019 as well as other SBO officers, and class elections are underway this week.

4. Principal Report – John Haning

Construction update – New offices are projected to be ready mid-May. Commons is coming together. Students are getting excited.

Spring sports are supposed to have begun, and will when the snow melts. Debate Team took first place in Region.

Mr. Hendrickson will be retiring at the end of the year and a new teacher has been selected.

We will be losing teachers with the opening of the new High School. Two teachers will be retiring, and two will be going to the new high school. Details are being worked out to absorb the classes that these teachers were providing.

5. Comprehensive Guidance Report – Pat Limas

435 students out of 458 took the Junior ACT last week. Scores should be available in 6-8 weeks. Scores are helpful for registration for next year.

Sophomore orientation took place the same night as the ACT testing. Teachers set up displays for students to see. The evening was very successful.

Junior CCR's are taking place this month.

Registration for sophomores will take place in April.

6. PTSA Report – Catherine Johnson

Planning is underway for senior class party and teacher appreciation. Board positions are available for next year. Pizza is being provided for students once a month.

7. Foundation Gala will take place on April 25th. Contact Liz Mumford or Laura Gabel for more information.

8. Adjournment – 3:26 p.m.

9. Next meeting: April 11, 2018 at 2:30 p.m.