

DHS Community Council Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2014

Attendees: Richard Swanson, Julie Tanner, Diana Anderson, Dianna Barton, Dorothy Watkins, Corinne Barney, LeeAnn Hyer, Cali Brown, Adam Taylor, Bradley Chapple, Gregg Laub, Teresa Perry, Julie Treadwell, Veronica Greenland.

- □ Julie Tanner welcomed everyone and reviewed the minutes from the Oct. 1, 2014 meeting.
- A report from the Student Body Officers was given by Adam Taylor and Cali Brown. Success in teams/organizations such as golf, tennis, cross country and band and the Halloween dance were discussed. The Jr. Class will be doing a Thanksgiving fundraiser and a Sub for Santa, with an 18K goal. The possibility of doing online donations were suggested, as well as collecting during parent/teacher conferences. Money will be collected at the Dec. 5th & 9th basketball games as well.
- Mr. Swanson reviewed the Trust Land Goals for 2014-15. The goals include:
 1. Literacy (Including argumentative writing)
 2. College, Career and Community Readiness (Students need to leave DHS being better equipped in important areas, not just “information rich.”)
 3. Quality Staffing
 4. Technology (Not only used by teachers, but also in the hands of students)

Mr. Swanson also clarified current Advanced Placement reports, referenced in the media, that indicate Davis High is #2 in the state with its pass rate. In actuality, Davis administers more tests than any other schools and has an 89.7% pass rate (with 5,300 credits received.) Looking at comparative data, this indicates DHS is #1. SAGE testing in the language arts and math showed skewed results as well. Our science (physics) scores are in need of improvement.

- Discussion of improving ACT scores at Davis was addressed. Greg Laub presented an online survey he created to be distributed to parents for review. It was decided that parents need to be better informed of university required scores, SEOPs and ACT prep opportunities.
- Diana Anderson presented her findings on e-cigarettes. An e-cig kit, provided by the health department, was shown; and information on how they are used, sales increases and discrete usage in schools was shared. “Vaping” / e-cig usage has doubled in the last year in Morgan, Weber and Davis counties. The need to educate teachers was encouraged and welcomed.
- Next month’s topic to review will be Meeting the needs of low, medium and high achieving students, and an AVID presentation. Committee members include: Teresa Perry, Allison Frasier, Veronica Greenland, Julie Tanner and Rich Swanson.
- Future calendar items include: Council Trainings from 6-8pm in Logan (Nov 5) and in Taylorsville (Nov. 12). Next Community Council meeting: Dec. 3.