Community Council Meeting Minutes Davis High School November 13, 2013

1. Welcome - Astrid Kramer

- Introductions in attendance -Easton Williams, Harrison Haslam, Dorothy Watkins, Julie Tanner, Tracey Meade, Corine Barney, Teresa Perry, Astrid Kramer, Lisa Ferguson, Diana Anderson, Dee Burton, Kathy Evans, Debbie Hall, Dianna Barton, DeAnn Draper

2. Principal's Report / Dee Burton

Oct-Nov has been a very busy month. You are aware of the situation with the teacher, Mrs. Altice, at Davis High School. The district has given Mr. Burton permission to hire for that position in English. The job will open this week. They are hoping to have the teacher hired and be in place before Thanksgiving or just after. Mr. Burton is waiting to hear from the district to know if this will be a one-year job opening or more permanent. They will know more in the next 10 days.

The football field was damaged with a fire on Saturday Night Nov. 9th. On Monday as word spread about the \$500.00 reward. Mr. Burton had principals from other schools calling with tips as to who did it. On Monday, the students responsible were apprehended and taken to Farmington Bay. They will go to court and the legal process will proceed. The district estimates the cost for repair is approximately \$15,000.

The Cross Country team won 1st place in State and the girl's Tennis team took 1st place in State for the first time. The Academic Olympiad went to USU last week where they received the 1st place award. Congratulations to all of our teams.

The theatre department will present HEROES Nov. 14, 15, 16, & 18. The band attended their annual competition in St. George were they received 2nd place against 33 other schools, and this finishes their season. The Halloween dance was huge we had about 1,400 students attend. The end of term was Oct. 31st. After 1st Term grades are in, it was noted that we have over 120 students with 4.0 grades.

3. Reports

• PTSA/Lisa Ferguson - How can we help and support the school? How can we get more help and support from parents? PTA is open to more ideas to help get more involvement in the many activities they have.

- Next activity is Nov. 20th the Battle of the Bands during lunch. The students will vote for their favorite band.

- One idea was to get in the program called "Sign - up Genesis" and have the parents sign up for each of the different events during the year.

- Reminder that the PTSA will be offering a scholarship this year. They must be a part of the PTSA as well as the parent.

- SBO/Student Voice Nothing new.
- SRO/Officer Barlow-

• Counseling Center/Karl Hall - Mr. Hall was not in attendance but Kathy Evans reported that the counseling center in currently doing the 11th grade PCCR-SEOPs

Questions were asked if Davis High has seen an increase with of smoking with the new E-cigarettes. Administration has not seen an increase with students using regular or the new E-Cigarettes. Dianna Barton referenced a new study done by the CDC that indicated adolescent use of e-cigarettes has doubled from 2012 to 2013.

4. Kathy Evans

- School Improvement Plan- Kathy Evans brought to us the copy of the school lands trust from this last year. Each year teachers are allowed to bring to the committee ideas they have that can possibly be funded with the money. One of the proposals that was brought to the committee last year was from Mr. Arquette to get a classroom set of IPAD's to see how it works with his large classrooms. We don't have a computer lab large enough to accommodate all of his students. This way they are able to take their tests and do assignments as a group. The school also uses them when needed for other testing or training.

- Trust Land Funds Allocation- You can also go to <u>www.schoollandtrust.org</u> for more information.

5. Community Council Training Meeting Report /Astrid Kramer -Astrid attended one of the training sessions and felt it was very good with new and interesting ideas.

6. Other- Questions were asked about the Parent-Teacher conference and if it was well attended? Can we improve on the time available? It was indeed attended very poorly, we are not sure if that is due to the fact that so many parents use email and teachers are readily available? It was suggested that we consider, during the first parent-teacher conference of the year, having a bell-schedule where parents could walk through their student's schedule as well as the teacher introduce him/herself and the course(s) they teach. This would happen from 5:30-6:30pm to accommodate parent work schedules. Each bell-schedule period would be approximately six-minutes with a few minutes to move to the next classroom. Teachers would be available for regular conferencing before the schedule walk through from 3:30-5:30 on the first night and the whole time the following evening.

NOTE: 2013/14 Community Council Dates

| Oct 9, 2013 | Jan 8, 2014 |
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| Nov 13, 2013 | Feb 5, 2014 |
| Dec 11, 2013 | Mar 5, 2014 |
| | Mar ?, 2014 - Trust Land's Mtg. |
| | (In lieu of April meeting) |
| | May 7, 2014 |