

Syracuse Junior April Community Council Minutes

April 12, 2017 5 pm Conference Room

Attending: Charlene Kellmer, Michael Lee, Kenneth Hellewell, Kenneth Hadlock, Lois Green, Khurshid Zaidi, Dawnene Young, Cindy Rhoades

Trustlands Grant Competition: the idea was posed by Kenneth Hellewell to submit a picture of the robotics club with all of their accomplishments. It was proposed that Dawnene Young be the one who submits it

School Improvement Plan Review

- Learning First Planning Day is next week. All of the written proposals and spreadsheets will be plugged into the template the district provides for the meeting. Dr. Hadlock will add some editing to the proposals but nothing new will be added
- A question was posed about math funding. It was decided by council members that the proposal was all or nothing and we don't have the funding to grant the math department their entire proposal.

Approve the Final School Improvement Plan-Signature Page: Dr. Hadlock sent out an email earlier today with the link to the electronic signature form. Council members should check their email and follow the instructions to sign the school improvement plan.

Follow up with Superintendent Meeting

- Superintendent mentioned a technology grant for half a million dollars available for the district. More information will be coming at the Learning First Planning Day. Once there is more information, council members will decide what we should apply for and start the application process.

School Grades

- GPA review by term at Syracuse Junior High for the 2016-17 school year: GPAs were the same 2nd and 3rd term at 3.13 average but incomplete grades are still pending for 3rd term
- 7-9th grade student who are failing one or more classes: the number is rising compared to last year
- Total F's: Total Fs are rising as well from the 2016 to the 2017 school year
- As an overall trend, Syracuse Junior High is doing better than in previous years

Good News

- Thank you card was given to the council from the MESA club for providing them with funds to compete at nationals.
- SJH Spanish Department went to the district fair and as a school we received a superior rating.
- Choir, Band, and Orchestra have competed at festivals and have received superior ratings.
- Functional Skills class at SJH was featured in the Utah Studies History book for the entire state of Utah for creating the centennial state coin in 2006.

Council Elections- 2017-18

- Members with terms up: Michael Lee, Paul Greenlee, Amy Mikkleson, Heidi McCowen, Lois Green, Khurshid Zaidi, Cindy Rhoades
- Next year the parent representatives will be: 2 from Cook, 2 from Buffalo Point and 2 At-Large

Topics for Consideration at Next Meeting

- Feedback on Learning First Planning Day

Adjourn- The next Syracuse Community Council will be held on Wednesday, May 10th, 2017 at 4:00 pm