

**Syracuse Junior High School**  
Community Council Agenda  
Conference Room  
May 8, 2018  
4:00 PM

Welcome

Attendance: Kenneth Hellewell, Ken Hadlock, Vicki Hassard, Michele Swenson, Katie Barton, John Shaw, Doug Peterson, and Shelly Thorne

Good News

This year 21 students were inducted to the National Junior Honor Society.

Our Robotic Team did very well at VEX IQ Worlds Championship in Louisville, Kentucky.

Meeting Minutes

Last month's minutes were approved by the board.

Elections – proposal to move one seat from Buffalo Point to Cook so each have two seats

The Council reviewed the bylaws, and after review of the current elections laws which state two spots from each feeder school – Syracuse Elementary, Cook Elementary and Buffalo Point -- needed to be represented as a Council seat, it was decided to change the bylaws, so all candidates would be “at large.” The requirement kept in place would be the candidates must have a student attending SJH the first year they run for a council spot.

One of the considerations considered was if there would be any favoritism to any group by doing this, and after discussion, it was decided there would be no foreseeable circumstance on how an individual group would benefit by moving all candidates to “at-large.” Syracuse Junior High is a whole and not a segmented group.

This movement was motivated by the ability to allow more people the opportunity to run for a community council spot.

Meet The School Board Candidates meeting status

Michele Swenson is looking at hosting this during the mid-June time frame.

## Trustlands Review

Dr. Hadlock reviewed the approved Trustland Funds that will be available on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Discussion on Technology Compatibility – John

Mr. Shaw discussed the benefits about the school as a whole in utilizing the same tool sets – tool sets as far as an online option to where students are to find work. This unified system would benefit the students and also the parents.

Dr. Hadlock explained how the District is moving away from School Wires (the current webpage teachers use) to a new system called FinalSite. From this site, students will have a link to their Canvas account.

## Review article John was going to write about community councils for Syracuse newsletter

After the change to the bylaws about Council spots available, Mr. Shaw plans to rewrite the information that will be presented to the public. Mr. Shaw plans to let Dr. Hadlock review this write-up before it's published.

## Topics for Consideration Next Meeting

Swearing in the school. How is the problem addressed within the school? Dr. Hadlock has ideas from procedures he has seen put in place before that have been affective.

## Elections Results

Elections for new chair, new vice-chair and secretary

## Council Photo

## Trustlands

## Council Basics

Next meeting will be in August

Adjourn – The next Syracuse Community Council will be held on Wednesday, September 12, 2018, 4:00 PM.