

# KJH Community Council Meeting Minutes

(KJH Conference Room by Library)

Tuesday, November 14th, 3:15pm

Amy Gray, Brooke Romney, Colleen Pierce, Curtis Stromberg, Gina Carling, Jeanne Groberg, Kent Brown, Lisa Wood, Nicole Carver, Terrie Tenney, Excused Martha McKay.

Welcome/ Nicole Carver- Minutes were reviewed and approved from October.

Community Council opened with reports from Trust Land training. The council discussion included:

Reviewing data and report: Administrators review data and reports with district personnel. Teachers also receive reports and district support on test data (data dive). Departments and school sources collaborate and work on improvements.

Questions pertaining to how to help teachers improve scores:

1. What can Community Council do to support teachers to improve test scores?
2. How can data be collected all year not just S A G E testing. (Common Assessments)
3. What can parents do to have access to test preparation in English and Science?  
(Parents want to know what to expect, to enable more support at home including the use of planners, test review materials, and standard based grading.)
4. Could writing assignments have write and re-write opportunities allowing the student to learn from mistakes? (Canvas is the current writing program at KJH)

Kahn Academy online was also mentioned as a homework support site. The English department has requested a "Reader" to help read essays.

Mrs. Pierce was ask what would help teachers to improve in classroom. She emphasized collaboration and high expectation are priorities to successful students. Teachers collaborate by working together with other teachers, within the school and with other schools, to improve and refine bell-to-bell teaching. CC ask if parent involvement IN the classroom would help. Parents are always welcome in the classroom but junior high is an age for students to discover independence. ("My student would react negatively if I came to help out in the classroom.")

Principal Stromberg - Discussion on 5 x 5 schedule. Based on CC training feedback, various schedules such as 5 X 5, 4 X 4, and traditional seem to have the same results with end-of-level testing. Other variable besides schedules need to be considered in evaluating end of level testing, such as Mrs. Pierce's suggestion's mentioned above.

Mr. Brown: Counseling Office CCR's underway for 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

PTSA wanted to remind the community that Turkey Bowl is coming up this Friday. Knight Crew is functioning well and achieving objectives.

Digital Citizenship: Email out to Parents this month: "Give yourself the 10 Best Apps for Teens"  
Also suggested Parent Control for electronics is "OUR PACT".

Future Agenda Items included continuing improvement of test scores.

**Next Meeting December 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:15pm**