

LHS Community Council
Meeting minutes
Nov. 12, 2018
LHS Conference room

In attendance: Twila Bisk, Ryck Astle, Julie Barlow, Nancy George, Melanie Smith, Kathleen Wilcox, Denmark Jensen. Visitors : Briget Gerard, Robert Shaffer

Absent: Lee Castillo, Jared Fawson & Elizabeth Katoa

LHS Student Internships: Robert Shaffer came in to talk to the council about the student internship program and opportunities that Layton High students have. We currently have just over 20 students in the internship program. They last a full semester, and are offered only to seniors who have taken the prerequisite class and have applied. It requires 2 class periods and their own transportation. 3.0 GPA and no U's. The internship program allows the students the opportunity to try something out before spending time & money in a trade school or college program. They are required to meet every so often in a classroom setting to work on soft skills and talk about how their program is going. Robert checks in with the companies the students are interning at to make sure they are really attending and if there are any concerns.

School Improvement plan review: Julie walked us through some of the school improvement plan items using NEARPOD. This is a program that many teachers are using in the classroom. As a Council we were able to sign in to Nearpod and have an interactive experience throughout the discussion.

#1 Graduation rate: We not only met but exceeded our graduation rate of 96%. For 2018 we hit 97.6%.

#2 State Skills pass rate: We increased our state skills pass rate by 5%.

#3 College readiness scores: We have already hit the goal of 25% college readiness on all four ACT subtests. We started at 23%.

#4 partnering joint project is underway with the Bountiful food pantry: Layton High school is teaming up with the pantry to raise money & create an in house food pantry for students through a "NO HUNGER ZONE" project. Some teachers already have signs up in their classrooms so students who may be hungry know who to turn to for options to eat so they don't have to make it through the day with no food.

Other items of discussion:

CTE state certifications increased from 46.87% in 2016 to 49.64% in 2018

AP pass rate went up from 77.6% in 2016 to 77.8% in 2018

Our CE class numbers keep going up. In 2016 we had 4286 students taking CE classes. We are now at 5296 for 2018. . We would like to continue to find ways to pass the word along about CE classes and the ACT prep class that is offered. If students will put in the prep time they will increase their AP scores. A discussion was held about possible ways for teachers can do a better job of implementing review questions in class from off the students canvas ACT review.

The teacher training day held in Sept. was very beneficial for teachers. IT gave them the opportunity to do training in some of the following areas: Gradebook, Canvas, Nearpod, LEAN training as well as UEN tools & resources.

Ms. Marx, the ceramics teachers has come up with a custom reading incentive for Layton High students. She has been making reading cups to encourage students to read on their own. Any student who goes in and tells her about the books they have read, they can choose a customized ceramic cup that she has made.