



Highland High School Community Council Minutes
Wednesday, September 23, 2020
4pm

SCC Items of Business

Welcome, Introductions

In Attendance - Jeremy Chatterton, Hector Robles, Holly Moss-Rosen, Rachel Jones, Linda Lesue, Christina Leavitt, Deirdre Straight, Mia Naddeo, Rebecca Pittam, Jeanne Riley, Sonal Kerr, Brian P., Landon Clark, Marilee Coles-Ritchey, Cindy Remke, Bruce Simpson, JPJulie,

Guest(s) Hector Jordan Robles, College Access Advisor at Highland High School

New to Highland. His role is to help students with everything concerning college access. ACT registrations, college applications, etc. Reach out to him through the counseling center to make an appointment for your student. FAFSA opens October 1st and October is Utah college application week/month. He sent out an email to all senior students recently asking for colleges they are interested in so he can work with their admissions/recruiting office to do virtual tours.

SIC Report Denise Hevner - not in attendance.

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Approve August minutes - Christina made a motion to approve. and Jeremy seconded.

SCC 20/21 schedule - 4th Wednesday of the month at 4pm - Oct 28, Nov 25, Jan 27, Feb 24, March 24, April 28, May 26th.

20/21 Membership - email Holly hollymossrosen@gmail.com if you want to be a voting member this year. Anyone in the community can attend meetings but voting members' emails will be published for the land trust money.

There is a request from Roberto Munoz from the district for School Leadership and Performance. Looking for two parents to serve on the HS Improvement Committee. Monthly meetings starting in October during the school day (10-11am) to discuss what is happening with

our schools. Meetings will be virtual and we would like volunteers in the next week. Reach out to Holly if interested. If no one volunteers by the end of week Holly will reach out to more people and work with Jeremy to identify others to ask to participate.

Principal Report - Jeremy Chatterton

Shared data from the recent parent survey:

- 19% still have issues with canvas. Mostly surrounding teachers' canvas classrooms are set up differently and making it hard to find links, etc.
- 87% said teachers were accessible.
- 98% are doing school during school hours.
- 7 out of 10 were happy with communication coming from school and teachers.
- Less than 20 students without computers. Administration is getting more hot spots out to families who need them.

Jeremy will be sharing survey data at a faculty meeting to help find a balance between a good amount of work with rigor without overwhelming students.

Refuge liaison is making home visits with Linda, distributing Chrome books, etc.

Self contained special ed students, ELL, and refugee students are allowed in the building in small groups.

1777 students currently enrolled. We ended last spring with 1820 students enrolled. We currently have 1892 in powerschool. This next week will be spent cleaning up those numbers so we know who are not registered but attending.

SBO with Ms. French are doing great work. Ram Fam tile added to canvas classrooms for SBO messages, Principal messages, assemblies, freshman orientation, etc.

2nd period is home room and 2nd period teachers are responsible to make sure kids have everything they need to be successful. CTE and Seminary classes for the 2nd period is an issue they are still addressing.

Jeremy is mindfulness certified. He will be providing opportunities to students through Canvas once or twice a week to practice that.

Parents gave feedback that they appreciated AP teachers reaching out to all students even those not in the class this quarter. Also recording lessons has been really helpful to go back for clarity.

The focus of the next week will be helping the students not participating currently to get engaged.

Jeremy will send an email with the Land Trust findings to SCC members.

Counseling Dept. - Mia Naddeo

3 main domains: academic achievement, college readiness, and social emotional support

Academic Achievement:

Focusing on seniors progress toward graduation. Getting students set up with credit recovery. Senior student engagement is a big focus but they are also working with freshman success. There are grade level advocates for 10-11th grade plus. Victoria is the ELL advocate.

Claudia retired and Deirdre has taken her place at Freshman Success. Dean is still going strong. They have helped pass out supplies and are working with administration to find the kids that aren't engaged currently.

Special Ed teachers are to inform general ed teachers of the accommodations in the IEPs. All teachers have access to the ELP plan. Linda will remind them of that.

College Readiness:

Counselors will be utilizing Canvas to help seniors get ready for the college application process. Looking at a college readiness course for other grades on Wednesday Oct 7 or 14th also.

They are trying to hire a new scholarship coordinator.

To take the ACT you can go to any school that is offering it. If the test is canceled, ACT will work with families to get rescheduled. Whitney is no longer managing Saturday ACT tests at Highland. The ACT is not a school program. No one is stepping into that role. The Saturday tests at Highland will be going away.

Social Emotional Support:

For social-emotional support there is a depression prevention group through the county going on as well as a VOA Life Skills group starting next week. There is also a new therapist that they can refer students. Go through their counselor for that referral.

Every October there is an anti harassment training for the students with information about using SafeUT.

District Report Kristi Swett, SLCSB Board - not in attendance

Becky answered questions for decisions made at the district level.

They are discussing how to start bringing small groups back into the school such as CTE classes and performing classes. There was a meeting today with the superintendent and the health department to set up parameters for how we can make this happen safely. The district is also aware of students who will need to stay online all year and is discussing how to manage that when/if we go to hybrid model.

Calendar changes - adding asynchronous days onto what were previously non student days to makeup for some of the missed days. School will go through June 7th. Possibly asking the state to waive the hurricane days so we don't make those up as well.

PTA Report - Rachel Jones

Cathy Stringham will be a teacher rep for PTA.

Coat drive. We are trying to collect coats for our students in need. Donations can be taken to the front office during the school hours.

Rachel sent out a fundraiser email.. Discouraged that no one is seeing her emails. She will work with Jeremy on a strategy for that.

PT Conferences will be virtual. There will be a PT Conference each quarter. Not sure on how to support teachers for that.

Reflections will happen virtually. Submissions will start in October.

Student Report

Monica French will get us a student rep soon.

Next meeting:

Wednesday, October 28th 4pm.