

## Hillside Middle School School Community Council Meeting Minutes October 11, 2022

**In attendance:** JaNeal Rodriguez, Justin Spencer, Natalie Smith, Shairyl Lisonbee, Sonal Kerr, Bryan Jensen, Paul Schulte, Liz Buirley, Kelly Lear, Curt Larson, Lance Oyler, Carla Were

### SCC Business:

- Approved minutes

**Counselor's Report:** N/A

### Guest Speaker - Paul Schulte, Executive Director Auxiliary Services

- Looking at incurring debt to rebuild West and Highland
- Building schools while students are in session
- Feasibility study looks at best ways to meet needs of students and market
- If bond passes in November, process for construction plans take about a year - ground broken in 2025 – detailed plans will not start until bond passes
- Trying to get everyone vertically aligned
- SLC link to survey on website - <https://www.slcschools.org/resources/feasibility-studies/highland-high>
- There will be a **public meeting November 10, 6:00 pm, at Highland High library** and another meeting will be in January.
- Spread word to hear everybody's thoughts and ideas online
- Q&A: Q: Combine Sugarhouse Park, tennis courts, etc? A: High priority to communicate with park, we are open, it is on the table
- You can email Paul, give thoughts down the road

### PBIS Plan Report, House bill 58 Tobacco & Nicotine prevention

- "Move This World" is one implementation
- Husky TV has a Social Emotional Learning component
- Red Ribbon Week by PTA first week in October
- Full Time Circle of Friends, Promising Youth and Social Workers are on site at Hillside
- Bullying and Harassment class lessons
- Mindfulness activities
- Vaping information /interventions

### Other items:

Natalie received a letter from parents concerning lockers. Prior to the pandemic, Hillside used lockers. Parent concerns are backpacks are very heavy, some students walk a mile or more home. Principal Rodriguez stated the no locker policy was left the same to see how things go and evaluate for this year. The reasons for keeping the no locker policy in place included less loitering, fewer tardies, less bullying, fewer antics- taking & throwing backpacks. Another concern mentioned was that some students need more time for bathroom breaks. Principal Rodriguez stated that she will review this concern with staff. Concern is that the bathroom pass systems make bathroom breaks too limited (passes are few, time constrained). Principal Rodriguez stated creative solutions will be sought.

**Guest Speaker: Bryan Jensen Candidate for Precinct 6**

- Elections are November 8
- Taught at Newman 2,3 and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Prior to teaching, practiced law. Later got Master of Education at Westminster
- Attended Highland High, his own children have gone to Clayton and East
- To see his priorities, go to [bryanforschoolboard.com](http://bryanforschoolboard.com), Instagram and facebook. Or email him at [bryanforschoolboard.com](mailto:bryanforschoolboard.com) with concerns you feel need to be addressed
- Top priority is bolstering parent confidence in schools and school board, filling individual learning gaps, addressing student enrollment, recruiting and retaining highly qualified teachers and staff, janitors, cafeteria workers, and identifying and supporting mental health challenges for students.

**Principal's Report:**

- School Improvement Goals:
- 25% increase in literacy proficiency
- 25% increase in numeracy proficiency
- Culture goal – reduce reported incidences of behavior using PBIS strategies
- Achievement gap goal – 75% achieving MLL students' growth

**School Board Report:**

N/A

Meeting began at 7:00 a.m., ended at 7:46 a.m.