

Community Council Minutes 9/11/17

Attending: Jeanette Kopell, Janel Arbon, Steve Hren, Kathy Williams, Kent Dalton, Heidi Wainer, Josh Cameron, Casandra Rusche, Margy Moreau, and Matt Hoppensteadt

Minutes: Kathy motioned to accept the minutes from April's meeting. Janette Seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Welcome – There were not enough interested parties to need an election. Heidi motioned that we accept the two new members Matt and Josh. The motion passed unanimously, with Margi absent. Afterwards, we all introduced ourselves.

Reports: Review of our current plan – Dr. Hren informed us that we may have increased funds. We know that HMK will receive more funds than anticipated, so there is a chance we may also. Dr. Hren then discussed the plan line by line. Some areas of discussion were:

- Because we had so many kids sign up for the class we did not use the \$500. Dr. Hren said next year we may choose to encourage kids to do schmoop, a state funded online test prep. Heidi said it was helpful for her kids to come to a class, because it meant she did not have to nag them to study online. Janelle said she had the same experience. Janelle suggested we fund a stipend for someone to proctor schmoop practice during incentive time.
- We allocated money for the salary of the choir/strings teacher. Since she is a certified teacher we may need to increase the amount.
- Dr. Hren has not heard the final expenses numbers from Robert Farnsworth, but if all of last year's money was not spent, we may also have some carry over.
- Last spring we decided if there was extra money we would support more professional development for staff and purchase additional chrome books.
- Janette asked about sage testing. The scores will come out next week.

Training – Both of our new members must watch the training DVD either online or on DVD. The state is also offering some additional optional training for council members. Dr. Hren will email us the link.

Other -

- There was a discussion about providing breakfast for the staff at this month's conferences. It was decided that we would wait until winter tri. Heidi said a drawing at conferences might increase participation
- Our new superintendent has taken over the web site including an added calendar and some other features. Heidi praised the new calendar. Heidi has also appreciated the increased Facebook presence.
- Jeanette asked if she could add some chalk to the grass for blocking color guard movements.
- Heidi brought up that since the kids must take their planner to the bathroom for a hall pass, and there is no place to put them, they put them on the floor. Dr. Hren and the custodian are already planning on putting a shelf or cubbies in the bathroom.
- Dr. Hren asked us to think about any sort of activities or programs we want to work on. Heidi asked Dr. Hren to poll department heads to see if there were specific areas we can help. Margy mentioned they might have financial needs that come up as well.
- Janelle asked for recipients to report back on programs or objects we've funded.

Blue Ribbon - Janelle nominated Derrick Cook for his work helping students focus on college goals and seeing the emotional needs of students.