

South Hills Middle School



School Community Council

March 17, 2022 | 3:30pm | Location: South Hills Middle School

Attendees: Ardis Bird, Julie Thomson, Jim Grothe, Bryan Call, Valerie Ashley, Deborah Braden, Julie Rushton, Leota Pearson

Call to Order

- Bryan Call (Chair)
- February 3 Meeting Minutes **approved**

Discussion Items:

- Counseling Center Update
 1. 9th grade career unit in Language Arts is forthcoming and then one-on-one meetings with all 9th graders will occur
 2. Next year's Tiger Squad has many members returning from this year!
 3. Our school will be participating in September's "Out-of-the-Darkness" suicide awareness walk. We participated in it last year as well.
 4. Question: If my 9th grader takes Earth Science instead of Biology, Mountain Ridge is saying they will also be required to take Physics and Chemistry.
Answer: Students must take two core sciences (Biology, Chemistry, Physics) and one elective (Earth Science, Human Anatomy, Animal Science, Astronomy, etc.) totalling three. So Earth Science would meet the elective requirement.
- Discussion regarding Uber food and drink deliveries to students during school
 1. Deliveries have increased from five-10 per week to 50 per week.
 2. Parents are also dropping food off to their students during times outside of lunch.
 3. Community Council came up with a policy that students' food would be held in the office *only to be picked up during their assigned lunch period*. All members voted to approve the new policy.
 4. A Sky Alert explaining the new policy on Sunday night and the students will hear about it on the announcements on Friday right before the end of school.
- Discussion regarding Teacher Advisory Period (currently 1st period) T.A.
 1. What are the logistics? Rather, what is the school trying to accomplish during T.A.?
 2. Currently we work on social/emotional learning during this time. In the past the days were split between interventions and social/emotional learning lessons.
 3. One member explained Ft. Herriman's model.
 4. Mr. Grothe explained that our teachers have been given the opportunity to come up with ideas to present to the faculty. He will also present an idea and there will be a vote. Whatever is chosen needs to be supported by the faculty 100%.
 5. If we try something new we can revisit it prior to Christmas Break and see how it's working.
- School Information
 - Events
 - Choir and Guitar Concerts - were very successful and well attended!
 - End of 3rd Quarter - March 24
 - No School - March 25, 2022
- 2022-2023 LAND Trust Plan (committee requested dollar amounts)
 1. Goal 1: Decrease credit deficiency

- a. Provide several ways to make-up credits
 - b. Continue to keep close eye on 9th graders
2. Goal 2: Increase Rise scores by 5%
3. Close Learning gaps

Q: Have teachers weighed in? Especially math teachers?

A: No, we will provide an opportunity for their input.

Q: How do you motivate students?

A: Let the teachers teach their subjects the best way they know how.

Q: Could we provide a "teach the parents how to help their kids with math?"

A: That's something we will look at.

- 2022-2023 TSSA (Teacher Student Success Act) Plan: \$150,000
- Do we need a May meeting? - Jim will check.
- Proposed future meeting schedule:
 - ~~October 7~~
 - ~~November 11~~
 - ~~February 3~~
 - March 17