

Community Council Meeting Minutes

October 9, 2014

In Attendance: Portia Ames, Bethany Cathemer, Gary Gibb, Holly Massey, Lucie Holman, and Tami Galbraith.

Absent: Zack Starr, Angie Backman

Action Items:

1. Minutes approved-motion by Tami Galbraith, seconded by Portia Ames and the vote was unanimous. Members confirmed contact information and if they had watched the training video.
2. Gary Gibb presented the calendar of scheduled meetings for this year. Members were asked to attend Monday collaboration sometime between October and February. November's meeting will be changed to November 11, 2014 at 7:00 am. Gary Gibb handed out copies of the by-laws for the council.

Discussion Items:

1. Alpine School District and Legacy Elementary Mission, Vision, Values, and Goals were discussed. Mr. Gibb gave the members a package of "mints" that represent the goals and values of Legacy Elementary along with cards from ASD that explain the mission, vision, and goals. There was discussion about what the school board's responsibilities are. Minutes from the board meetings are available on the ASD website.
2. Data Review. Mr. Gibb showed writing assessment results. He explained that the rubric was developed by teachers. There was a drop in the Spring 2014 assessment because the assessing is better-using a new rubric, new core standards. This will get a more accurate picture of where students are. When writing improves, all other areas of learning improve. DRA levels have gone up so scores will show differently from fall to winter because of higher standards.
3. Fall Trustlands Report and Stakeholders Report. Trustlands report is due October 20. A rough draft of the report was reviewed. The Stakeholders report is due November 25. Gary Gibb asked for suggestions from the council members and it will be discussed further at the next meeting. Some ideas were to have a QR code on a card for students and parents to access more information than what is printed on it. It was also suggested to put the yearly calendar on it.
4. Sage Testing. Student Assessment of Growth was discussed. All information is available on the state website. There was discussion on how it is scored. When standards are increased, expectations increase also. The purpose is not to sort students but to know what students needs are and how teachers can improve instruction. The information is used to know what steps to take for learning. The data that is collected is secure. Gary Gibb explained the bookmark method. It provides focus for areas of student growth. Results will be released this month. We focus on student learning at Legacy. It was suggested by Lucie Holman that a letter be sent out to patrons prior to them receiving results to help with understanding. They will be encouraged to come to the school level with questions about SAGE.