

Tuacahn High School
Community Council Meeting
February 23, 2016

Minutes

Meeting began at 4:30p.m.

Attending:

Bill Fowler, Christine France (chair), Julie Fonseca (vice chair), Christian Bohnstegel, Michel Boroff, Kent Brown

Excused: Armando Serrano, Tara Eaves, Peggy Armour

Minutes: The minutes from last month's meeting were discussed. Bill Fowler made a motion to approve the minutes. Christian Bohnstegel seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Agenda Items

School Attendance Report – New Enrollment

Bill said that enrollment for next year is looking very good. We are showing 370 returning students and still wanting 30 more. With the new building started and with a proposed competition date of August 1st, we could go as high as 425 students with the new space. 450 is the max for our Charter.

Personal/Faculty & Staff

Intent letters for returning next year have been given to all Faculty and staff members. As of February 22nd, there is only one person not returning next year. Bill did say that we are looking to hire a couple of part time teachers for Biology, Film Studies and Special Education.

Remaining Budget/Proposal for Remaining Funds

Kent Brown, Business Manager, reported that the amount of School Land Trust Funds had gone from \$24,000 to \$27,000 and we had a balance of \$5,519 that was a carryover from last year. He proposed that we spend prior year carry-over amount \$5,500+ on Math licenses and Stats books. With the allocations of School Land Trust Funds to the Science Department this year, there was a discussion that we spend the additional requested amount of \$3,000 on the Green House, science supplies and animal organs for dissecting. Julie Fonseca made a motion and Christian Bohnstegel seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

School Bus Service Provided by Tuacahn for Students for School Year 2016 – 2017

Bill provided a report on a proposed plan to run a Tuacahn bus from the Walmart in Washington with pick-ups at the Walmart in St George, the Bluff Street Park, and the Albertson's in St George to Tuacahn. He said the approximate travel time was 50 minutes one way. A questionnaire was sent to all current parents and the newly registered students' parents, with more than a 70% wanting the service. A price of \$20 per month was favored by 51%. It was noted that Vista School charges \$60 per month for their bus service.

Legislative Update

Bill was very excited that the Governor is in full support of the Senate Bill 38, which will give to Charter Schools, \$500 for each charter student. As of meeting time the bill had not been voted on.

Follow up Questions/Answers from Technology issues/Shane Hale:

Bill had talked with Shane and Shane is very satisfied with the controls in place concerning the student's usage of the internet on campus. With the blocking and firewalls in place and the continuing monitoring by the teachers and staff.

New Business:

Christine mentioned that we would need to talk about elections for the Community Council for next year. This will be addressed at the March 22nd meeting.

[Provide timely notice (at least 10 days prior) to parents and staff of council positions that are up for election and how to apply, including the dates, times and location of the election.]

Next Meeting's Agenda Items:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

The next meeting will be March 22, 2016 at 4:30 p.m.

Addendum to Community Council Meeting Minutes from February 23, 2016

Tuesday March 1, 2016

Mr. Bill Fowler submitted an email vote to be taken to ratify and accept the already discussed and approved School Land Trust FY17 expenditures. We need to get a vote on how we are to spend the remaining funds (approximately \$3,500) for next year.

Here is the new proposal on the remaining funds: Our Foreign Language Department is in need of Spanish I textbooks for next year. The total cost of the 30 Spanish I textbooks and teacher's supplies are approximately \$3,500.

The vote was conducted by email and was approved unanimously.

Christine France – Yes

Julie Fonseca – Yes

Bill Fowler – Yes

Christian Bohnenstengel – Yes

Kent Brown - Yes

Christine France made the motion to spend the remaining \$3,500 on the Spanish I textbooks and Bill Fowler seconded the motion.