

Dixie High Community Council

Meeting Minutes

Sept 13, 2011

Members Attending: Kathryn Anderson, Janece Gardner, Shauna Challis, Kevin Simmons, Glenn Whicker, Sharla Campbell

Items Discussed:

Council members were welcomed to the meeting and new members in attendance were introduced. Mr. Bergeson was excused due to his attendance at a Utah High School Activities Association meeting in SLC. Council member names will be placed on our school website and the school will create an email account for each member, as required by state law. Mrs. Campbell will contact members to inform them of these accounts when our technology expert has placed them on our website.

Mrs. Campbell reported on the school's CRT results from last Spring. Dixie High leads the district in scores in Biology, and student scores increased in the areas of Language Arts, Geometry, Physics, and Chemistry. Dixie High received a passing score from UPASS and from the federal AYP school reporting system.

Mrs. Campbell reviewed the budget, as approved last spring by the Community Council, and asked for the Council's approval for changes in the amount expended for Salaries/Benefits. Originally, Council had approved 3 periods of math instruction to reduce class size, but we wish to change that to a full-time math teacher. All members present were in support of this change and signed a letter to the School Board in support of this request.

Kathryn Anderson mentioned that the ACT Prep classes which are offered at Dixie High were not as effective as she had hoped. It was suggested that teachers be more proactive about providing help with how to efficiently use the time allowed, and provide pointers for what to watch for. Her son's experience was that teachers merely administered the practice test without giving any actual instruction on how to maximize his test score.

Janece Gardner expressed appreciation for the email communication she receives from the school. She has found them to be very helpful and supports continued use.

The trust land videos were made available to members to take home. Shauna Challis took the videos and will send them back to school with her son, and Sharla Campbell will arrange to send the videos home to other members on a rotating basis.

Future meetings of the Council will occur monthly on the second Tuesday at 4 p.m.