Dixie High School Community Council

Meeting Minutes

April 9, 2013

Members Present: Shauna Challis, Char Black, Jennifer Hall, Kathryn Anderson, Janeice Gardner, Kevin Simmons, Larry Bergeson, Toni Schroath, Clark Whetten, James Bown.

Items Discussed:

Mr. Bergeson introduced a new course which will be offered next year called "Athletic Quest." The curriculum of this course will emphasize study skills and academic success which will enable students to move from high school athletics to participation in collegiate athletic programs. Students will also become acquainted with recruitment rules and be given tools to contact programs throughout the country. This will be a pilot program next year which will enroll students from Pine View, Snow Canyon, and Dixie High schools. Each school will be allowed to enroll 17 students in this 8 a.m. class. This program has been very popular in other districts throughout the state, and it is anticipated that some sort of lottery system might need to be developed to select students who will be allowed to register for the course. If the course proves to be popular, other schools may initiate their own programs, if funding can be obtained. Council members expressed strong verbal support for this course.

Kathryn Anderson asked how the change in math content with the new core and the advent of the Secondary Math 2 course at Dixie would affect those students taking the ACT early in their 11^{th} grade year. Mr. Simmons responded that they will not be as prepared for the ACT early in their 11^{th} grade year, but they should be well prepared for their test by the end of their 11^{th} grade year. Mrs. Anderson expressed concern that students who wish to apply for the Honors Program at the U of U must have an ACT score before December of their 11^{th} grade.

Mr. Bergeson also announced that Dixie High will advertise for a Special Ed teacher and a Social Studies teacher for next year. These are the only open positions that are known at this time. Ken Robinson will continue to coach Girls Basketball, even though he plans to retire at the end of this school year.

Launa Williams reviewed the Honor D program and explained changes that have been made to allow greater numbers of students to reach the goal of receiving a Diamond D.

The Council thanked Char Black for her service to the school, in consideration of her membership of the Council for the past 6 years.