

Community Council Approved Minutes

Dec. 16, 2015

4:00 p.m.

**Attended:** Jenny Johnson, Daniel Kent, Monica Chase, Shane Ogden, Koley Rollins, Chazel Jenkins, Lee Kight, Tim Sobatka, Nolan Ward and District Board Member Kristie Cooley.

**Excused:** Jason Pond, Kollie Rawlins, Holly Parsons, Linda Jensen, Kristeen Christensen, Chazel Jenkins, and Nicky Kimball, Bo Roundy, and Donna Starley

Pres. Johnson called to order the Community Council Meeting. She notified everyone the minutes were being recorded. She welcomed everyone and then pointed out that there was one error in the November's minutes. (Date for Dec. Meeting was incorrect). Pres. Johnson made a motion to approve the Nov. minutes with the corrected date for the December meeting, Daniel Kent made a motion to approve it, and Principal Ogden second it. All in attendance approved it. No one opposed.

Principal Ogden introduced Tim Sobatka and Nolan Ward. They serve as the construction representatives for the High School. Everyone in attendance was given the opportunity to tour the new areas under construction. They walked through the new area which will serve as the "Grizz Talk" open theater area (which will also serve well for a meeting area during lunch for students), the new administration and new library areas. They also toured the three levels of classrooms. The bottom floor is getting ready for sheetrock. Tim Sobatka and Nola Ward discussed that by next fall this whole wing will be completed, as well as the new library, the auditorium will be renovated, the band and choir rooms will be renovated and the existing part of the lobby that the students are now using will be complete. It is a very large area. The group expressed excitement for the student body and faculty coming back next fall. President Johnson commented about being surprised by the amount of progress that was hidden behind the plastic.

Pres. Johnson, Chazel Jenkins and Koley Rollins, discussed how exciting it was to see how close it was to completion and encouraged Principal Ogden to start giving teachers tours. He pointed out that they are already planning on beginning tours at the end of January. They felt that the teachers, students and faculty have put up with so much for so long that to finally see the "light at the end of the tunnel" will be a great reward. They felt it was very exciting to see the progress that was being made.

Next on the Agenda was the PLAN Data. Principal Ogden presented this data and was asked by Pres. Johnson to explain what the PLAN test was. He explained that the company that writes the ACT also writes the PLAN test, which includes English, Math, Reading and Science. They write the Explorer test for 8<sup>th</sup> graders, the PLAN for 10<sup>th</sup> graders and the ACT test. At Logan High all 11<sup>th</sup> graders take the ACT. The Explore and PLAN tests help give students predictors and help prep them for what they will get on the ACT. The highest you can get on the PLAN is 28 or 29. (Shane couldn't remember exactly).

The ACT just discontinued making the Explorer and the PLAN. They are now making the Aspire. Our other problem now is that the state of Utah is not going to pay for all juniors to take the ACT. We will need to continue to discuss this issue as a Community Council because our District goals are aligned with ACT scores. We will have a problem if we continue giving it to every junior if other schools do not.

How do we compare?

Do we compare it to graduating classes if other schools quit giving it to their juniors? Those will only be students that are planning on going to college which will make it unbalanced??

Do we need to find money to support paying for juniors taking the ACT? We did not have current numbers but as 2011-12 it cost \$34 per student to take the ACT and Logan High has approx. 420-450 juniors. (It would cost \$14,280-\$15,300).

LHS sophomores on the PLAN have scored at or above the national average on every category. The Council proceeded to analyze and broke down all the different demographics on the report.

Principal Ogden discussed that it is still up in the air whether the district is going to buy Aspire to replace Explorer and PLAN.

Principal Ogden discussed that we need to use the PLAN, SAGE and the Data points to compile the next Land Trust Plan.

Next on the Agenda was the Updates from the Departments for the School Improvement Plan for 2016-17. Principal Ogden stated that the teachers had been swamped and not had a chance to meet and review the data. He felt that it would be better for them around the end of the semester in Jan.

President Johnson commented that she had heard Superintendent Schofield do a dry run of his presentation that he is giving to all the teachers and administrators on Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016. He gave it at the last School Board Meeting in Dec, 2015. It is about the Vision and Goals for the district and felt that it would be a great preview for the teachers to see before setting their goals.

The Council discussed working on the School improvement plan in Jan and February and felt that they might need to meet an extra time, most likely early February but then skip the March meeting. Monica Chase commented that she would rather take the time and create a good plan then a fast one. The group was in agreement. Principal Ogden and President Johnson will create an agenda early in Jan. and send out data early for everyone to be prepared and come with ideas and have thoughts of where they feel it is most important to spend the Community Councils money.

Moncia Chase motioned to adjourn the meeting. All agreed. Meeting ended at 5:50 pm.