

Highland High School Community Council

Minutes April 13, 2011

Present: Suzanne Hammond, Pam Croft, Shirley Scruggs, Jim Olson, Shane Sadler, Karla Keller, Joanne Moffatt, Molly Welch, Suzanne Hawker, Latai Nonu, Kristi Swett, Paul Schulte, Chris Jenson

WELCOME: Pam Croft, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30.

MINUTES: from March approved with one correction.

SCC: Pam Croft

We need to vote by ballot for next years SCC officers to make sure we qualify for trust fund money. At least 3 days of voting is needed. The principle or his designee is in charge of the ballot box. An SCC table will be set up at Tartan Fest. We need more representation from staff.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT: Paul Schulte/Chris Jenson

Fundraising: Cheerleaders/poster/sponsors & cookie dough sales in May.

Dance Company: dance concert at a local dance studio.

All Approved

Budget- Highland High is fiscally sound. No discretionary funds have been used to pay for teachers.

Wellness policy: vending machines are within district policies. Mr. Schulte is in negotiations with Pepsi to keep machines in building.

Late start: 6 professional development days have been eliminated. Every model school has time for teachers to collaborate. This is the beginning of the process to implement late start Monday. No decisions have been made. Late start Monday would give students time to make up tests or get additional help. Class time on late start days would be 70 minutes instead of 90 minutes. Paul will lend "Breaking Ranks, strategies for leading high school reform" for more information.

Molly likes that late start days puts accountability on the students to make up or get extra help.

The SIC and SCC would come up with a framework. The school then would go to the district for approval. The district has no professional development days. The 6 days they had in the past are now gone due to economic downturn.

Staffing: A new dance company advisor will be hired. Jennifer Jaromin is leaving- her husband was transferred to Ohio with the Air force. An Instrumental teacher is needed who can be trained during the summer for IB and AP.

SIC: Molly Welch

Recommends that all assemblies be held at the end of the day. New SIC members have been elected. Still needed are core rep and non-core rep. Jeremy Chatterton will be the women's basketball coach and teach math.

PTA: All of next year's positions are staffed.

Even though graduation is early the Last Blast will still start at 10pm.

ARTS COUNCIL: Hawker

Tartan Fest, Friday April 29th 7-9.

DISTRICT REPORT: Kristi Swett

The district is working offixing a 4 million dollar shortfall.