

Highland High School Community Council

Minutes, Jan. 12, 2010

Present: Chris Nielson, Jill VanLeeuwen, Shirley Scruggs, Molly Welch, Laurel Young, Karla Keller, D. Shane Sadler, Aaron Hall, Tyler Glauser, Suzanne Hammond, Joanne Moffatt, Paul Schulte, Chris Jensen

Welcome: Chris Nielson called the meeting to order at 6:30.

Minutes from December approved

Fundraising:

Student charity for this year is The Christmas Box House. The kick off will be at the assembly on Friday and announcements are being made this week. The student government is looking for business to donate. The goal is \$5,000. They will also collect blankets and books.

Fundraising approval no longer goes through SIC, the administration and SCC approves.

Administration Report:

Mr. Schulte thought the parents meeting regarding boundary change went well. The need to remain 4A is not just for athletics. Equity and learning are the issues. Time out of school and the increased costs of transportation are the main issues.

The school improvement plan is being worked on. Community members are encouraged to participate.

Fee Schedule: The only increases are for the high school musical and a late registration fee. The musical fee will increase to \$35.00 and the late fee will not go into effect next year.

March 1st the Juniors will take the ACT. The rest of the school will start late

Consent Agenda The SCC approved the increase in fees.

Spirit week is coming up, there will be an emphasis on anti-bullying and making the school a bully free zone.

SIC:

Molly Welch: New sessions will start at the semester due to over crowding. The funding will come from federal education money.

Next year the district will implement major math course changes. Integrated math will replace math courses. By 2015-2016 there will be no more separate math courses. There will be an honors track and a regular track. Students who fail may be placed

in a math essentials class along with their current math class so they will stay current.
Announcements will go out in the news letter and at freshman orientation.

Student Update

Tyles Glauser; Ham & Haw week; activities planned during lunch and will culminate with an assembly. Spirit week is coming up and the focus will be on unity. Saturday is a dance combined with East High.

PTSA:

Jill VanLeeuwen is visiting schools and PTA's promoting Highland High. ACT prep class cost has been lowered to \$40.00. it will be held every Tuesday in February from 2:45-4:45. Class sizes are limited and more classes will be held if there is interest.

DISTRICT REPORT:

Laurel Young- the board wants to be more proactive in getting policies to parents. The suggestion was made to put an article in the newsletter with a website link. There will be program cuts. The legislature is not willing to fund growth.