

**Highland High School**  
**Minutes of the School Community Council**  
**September 14, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Highland High School Community Council (SCC) was held at Highland High School Room C110, 2166 South 1700 East Salt Lake City, Utah convening at 6:30 AM.

Members present:

Joan Lind, Chairperson  
Chris Jensen, Principal  
Sue Alder  
Kerrie Baughman  
Dayna Evans  
Amy Foulks  
Katie Ieremia  
Lisa Morley  
Joanne Moffatt  
Alise Orlandi  
Chris Rich  
Kristi Swett  
Maggie Tesch

SCC Items of Business:

- Chairperson Lind welcomed all to the first meeting of the 2016-17 school year.
- No consents for field trips were presented.
- The following consents for fund raisers were presented by Principal Jensen and approved by the Council:
  - Cheerleading – mini cheer camp involving 28 cheerleaders, includes instruction and a football game half-time performance
  - Cheerleading – adult clothing trunk show
  - Cheerleading – Chipotle night for 50% profit donation
  - Dance Company – silent auction
  - Band, Orchestra, Choir – mattress fundraiser
  - Choir – sell desserts prior to choir concert
  - Debate Team – run-a-thon (\$1/lap/student)
  - Principal Discretionary fund – Banners on 21<sup>st</sup> South
- Chairperson Lind asked for a volunteer to fill the SCC secretary position. Amy Foulks volunteered.
- Everyone who volunteered to be on SCC is now a voting member and will serve a two year term.

Administration:

- Principal Jensen presented a map of Highland High School's boundaries which showed concentrations of students in each zip code. He mentioned that there are approximately 1,700 students in the school this year, and nearly 1,570 within the school's boundaries. Highland High has a large number of special permits which allow students outside of the boundaries to attend Highland.

- Due to the increased number of students, the fire marshal is requiring the school to hold two assemblies which will reduce the number of bodies in the auditorium at any one time.
- Region realignment will be completed again this year for 2017-18. Realignment will include the addition of a 6A classification.
- Principal Jensen mentioned that last year's ACT composite score, school wide, was 20.1. Considering that the state composite is 20.2 and that Highland is an urban school, administration is very impressed with these results.
- The Council discussed the future of the "H" Rock at length
- HB 175 is a house bill requiring a background check for all unsupervised volunteers. This national background criminal check would be completed at the expense of the volunteer. Highland High Administration will conduct employment and reference reviews.

SIC:

- Nothing to report

District Report:

- Amendment B which will be on the ballot in November and may bring additional trust lands money to Highland High if it is voted in.
- The new superintendent will be holding a breakfast at Highland High in February 2017.

Student Update:

- Nothing to report

PTA:

- There are four women who are sharing the responsibility of PTA president this year.

Other:

- Highland High's art gallery will be named after Pat Eddington who is a former teacher who recently passed away. The dedication will take place September 14, 2016 at 7:00 PM.
- The Council continued its discussion about the school dress code from last year's final spring meeting. Administration now has black sweatpants and black logoed Highland shirts for students who are caught not following the dress code. Since school began, most of the students who were cited for a dress code violation were wearing shirts with inappropriate images/words or illegal substance reference. The Council will continue this discussion in the October meeting.
- The topic of student suicide prevention was discussed. Part of this year's school improvement plan is to track significant changes in a student's performance and address possible issues. The school has a full time Valley Mental Health specialist on campus at all times prepared to assist students in need.

Being that there were no additional items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 AM. The next meeting is scheduled for October 12, 2016 at 6:30 AM.