

# School Community Council—Hillcrest High School

Notes by Suzanne Riches

**March 13, 2019**

## **In Attendance:**

1. Greg Leavitt
2. Brant Thomsen
3. Julie Cluff
4. Suzanne Riches
5. Jeremy Wright
6. Laura Bischoff Garcia
7. Jason Dong
8. RJ Graham
9. Nikki Huff
10. Zoya Hyder

## **Meeting Notes:**

- Brant opened the meeting.
  - Brant remembered Andrea Warner's contribution to SCC.
  - SCC observed a moment of silence for Andrea Warner in light of her recent death.
  - SCC members made cash contributions to be donated to Andrea's designated non-profit.
- Agenda Item: HHS construction and parking.
  - Mr. Leavitt reported that things are going well for the most part.
  - The school is trying to make sure visitor parking is left open.
  - Restriping was done to allow for two lanes coming into the school.
  - Permit was granted for an entrance at Creek and 7<sup>th</sup> East.
  - Construction is on schedule for the new building.
- Agenda Item: Digital Citizenship Follow-up
  - Pocket Points Program
    - Mr. Leavitt said that we are dropping the initiative for now. We have received very little response from the company. Corner Canyon used the app for a time, but not much is being done with it now.
  - SAC is working on a phone policy for the school.
    - Teachers are reporting that the phones have become such a disruption that they can't teach.
    - Phones are also proving to have negative effects on teen mental health and growth.
    - Mr. Leavitt will report as the policy is developed.

- Agenda Item: 2019-2020 CSIP and Land Trust Plan Discussion
  - Mr. Leavitt reviewed the most recent HHS data. All indicators are positive. There is no reason to redo our goal or plan.
  - Mr. Leavitt presented the goal for 2019-2020. HHS will increase the percentage of students who are on track to graduate from 60% (data point taken from 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2019) to 70% by 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2020. On track is defined by GPA, attendance and the number of D and F grades per student.
  - Action Plan Highlights:
    - Increase the number of sections in reading, math, ELL support classes and writing.
    - Lower class size for re-teaching tier II and III students. This includes APP re-teaching groups.
    - Mentors will continue to support students who show signs of academic difficulty as well as at risk students. Mentors track attendance and work with parents on behalf of students. Mentors print grades each week. Mentor cost is estimated at \$50,000.
    - Cost for all programs is estimated at \$254,000.
  - SCC voted unanimously to approve the proposed land trust plan.
- Other Agenda Items:
  - PTSA is planning a Digital Citizenship night on April 16<sup>th</sup>. Julie Cluff reported on progress toward this night.
  - Discussion about whether another SCC meeting is needed in April was left open.
- Meeting was adjourned by Brant.

**See scanned School Plan 2019-2020-Hillcrest High School document.**