

Quest Academy

Community Council Minutes

March 4, 2015 at 7:30 a.m.



Location: Quest Academy, 4862 W 4000 S, West Haven, UT 84401, Q2 Library

In Attendance: Dave Bullock(Principal), Jamie Jaques(Chair), Tami Paulson(Co-Chair), Laura Neeley(Secretary), Tammy Mindrum(Treasurer), (Others) Vicki Barlow, Nicki Slaugh, and Susan Goldsberry

Minutes

Jamie Jaques moved to convene the meeting
Tami Paulson seconded the motion

Call to Order – Jamie Jaques

Item 1 – Sexual Education Committee: Vicki Barlow

It was brought to the school boards attention that there has been a change in the law regarding the Human Sexuality Curriculum. The school needs to have a formal committee to address this issue and the Community Counsel fits the criteria. It was asked of the Community Counsel to also sit as the Sexual Education Committee. All unanimously accepted this responsibility. The curriculum will be presented to the School Board for approval with the plan to educate students in May.

Within our Elementary we have a Maturation Program for the fifth grade and in the Junior High the ninth graders are addressed during their Core Health Class.

The Maturation Program for the fifth grade has criteria that needs to be met. A new video this year that is within the guidelines of the Human Sexuality Law as defined by the State, is by Proctor and Gamble “Always Changing” for Boys and Girls at pgschoolprograms.com/parents.php (scroll toward the bottom for videos). The co-ed video will not be part of the curriculum the State does not require co-ed teaching. The boys will view the boys video and the girls will view the girls video. Our committee has agreed to view each of these videos and get feedback to Jaime Jacques by March 9, 2015. In order for the videos to be shown to

students and have a question and answer session, all questions needed to be *pre-approved* by the committee and the school board. In years past Quest has opted to view the videos in a group setting after school with parents and not have a question and answer session but direct all students questions to their parents as their parents see fit. Another option is to let parents view the video at home online with their student and answer questions in the privacy of their home.

Ninth Grade Health Class has the “Cycle of Life Unit” as defined by the Utah State Core (Code 53A-13-101-301-302) has been taught the past few years by Felicia Kucharski who uses all state approved materials and which has been previously approved by the school board. There have been no changes to the Core since approval. Specifically this unit will teach sexual abstinence before marriage and fidelity after marriage as methods to prevent certain communicable diseases. The unit also teaches personal skills that will encourage personal choice of abstinence and fidelity. About two weeks before the unit she will send home a permission slip for parents to sign and approve this unit before the student can participate. The parent can opt to have their student not attend this unit and an alternative activity for the student will be available. An outline of what is taught during this unit is (1) Stages of life (2) Changing bodies, minds, and relationships (3) Reproduction, fertilization, and birth (4) Analyze impact of sexually transmitted diseases (5) Healthy choices, strong skills, and positive relationships.

Item 2- 2015-2016 Trust Land Money:Nicki Slaugh

In the past the school has spent the Trust Land money to advance our technology as we are a technology focused school. Currently there are 6 ipads per grade that were purchased last year. A scheduling problem has affected the usage due to Intervention and Special Ed doing centers at the same time resulting in all five teachers per grade not getting the opportunity to utilize the time they receive with the iPads. It is proposed that each grade level to have 30 iPads, like they have laptops, to give each student each day access to an iPad. During the morning hours the teachers can each have 5 or 6 iPads for center time and in the afternoon they will each have a designated time for use of iPad with their whole class. It is proposed that the Trust Land money for the next

school year go toward 112 Apple iPad Air with screen protectors and protective cases, 4 Apple iPad Mini 2 also screen protectors and protective case, 2 Bretford PowerSync Cart with Lightning Connector (for storage, syncing, and charging) of iPads, and cost to setup and configure iPads. The total proposed is \$57,923.90 about the same as last year. If there is any extra money it is proposed to go toward other carts for the iPads. The due date with the State to provide where we propose to spend the money and why is April 8, 2015, Dave Bullock will be submitting documents after the school board has approved of the proposal. Tami Paulson accepted the proposal and Jamie Jaques seconded the motion.

Item3 – Elect/Appoint new Chair and Secretary for 2015-2016 school year

It has been agreed that we would like to stagger the terms to the council positions in order to never have all new council members at once. At this time we are preparing to rotate two positions on the Community Council for the school year 2015-2016. The positions as Chair and Secretary are open for the upcoming school year. An email went out to all parents regarding these positions with not much interest. There will be a second email sent out asking for nominations.

Item 3 – Schedule next meeting

Next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, April 8, 2015, due to our meeting in March we will not have the meeting in April. Our next scheduled meeting will be on **May 6, 2015 at 7:30 a.m.** at Q2 Library

Item 4- Evacuation

Discussion on the school Evacuation on February 25, 2015. The emergency gave Quest the opportunity to improve the effectiveness of the emergency procedures. The school administration followed the school procedures and the local authorities. Because it was close to the end of the day some of students had left their classrooms and teachers. The procedure was to be with their teacher until released to a parent. The school complied with local authorities in changing location of students as quickly as possible. There will be a Practice Evacuation on **March 19, 2015** to help the students be familiar and at ease with the school Evacuation Plan. Each teacher should have a backpack with blankets, first-aid, water and student list, which POQA will help make

possible. We will be thanking the local authorities on the day of the practice evacuation.

Jamie Jaques moved to adjourn meeting and Tami Paulson seconded the motion. Motion passes unanimously.

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