

**WILLOWCREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**SCHOOL/COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING**

*Monday, November 12, 2007 – 12:00 Noon*

Attending: Danelle Bates, Natalie Clark, Laura Giles, Lisa Hadfield, Leslie Jones, Heidi Moore, Fred Openshaw, Natalie Petersen, Allison Randall, Tom Wiltbank

Excused: Tani Ireland, Dan Jackman, Dixie Wilson

Group was welcomed by Natalie Petersen. Minutes from the October meeting were read and approved.

The council watched the Trust Lands Video and Mr. Openshaw gave a review of our Trust Lands Budget. We were allocated \$62,447.60 in Trust Land monies for the 2007-08 school year. We have spent \$43,561.95 on equipment. This money bought our new math mobile lab and a classroom set of calculators for each math classroom. We have \$4,000 in tracker wages and \$10,485 in transportation. The transportation budget will cover the late busses for Intervention Tuesday's. We will evaluate the Trust Land Budget in January or February to see where the need is for the remainder of the budget.

Walkaway's—Educating the community, parents and students on Walkaway's is an area of focus the council would like to help with. One idea is to have a table full of information on Walkaway's during registration days. In addition, our School/Community members would like visit all feeder elementary School/Community Councils to help them understand how Walkaway's work. The Counseling Office is also looking to host a parent night for incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents, making the transition from 6<sup>th</sup> grade much easier. Members would also like to see an annual article written in local papers on Walkaway's. Last year, a very informative article was written, answering many questions. We will read this article at our next SCC meeting.

Based on the CTE Skills test results, the CTE department received \$6,300, which was the highest in the district. \$3,600 will go to the Agriculture program, \$1,100 will go to the Business program, and \$1,600 will go to the Family and Consumer Science program. In comparison, the next closest school in the district received \$3,000.

Mr. Openshaw reported comparisons between first term grades in the 2006-07 and 2007-08 school year. Walkaway's are working.

2006-07	2007-08
79% end of term pass rate	92% end of term pass rate
898/1410 students had 1 or more I's	540/1663 students had 1 or more I's
End of May, 95% pass rate	3.7 Average GPA

Mr. Openshaw has arranged a meeting with Lehi Jr., Lehi High and Willowcreek, to discuss transition Algebra 2 to Pre-Calculus issues. The meeting will be held on Thursday, November 15, 2007. A follow-up report will be given at the next meeting.

Administrative Changes—Mr. Openshaw reported on the soon to be Administrative changes happening at Willowcreek. Jerrilyn Mortensen, Assistant to the Superintendent, is retiring in December. Because of this, they appointed an Assistant Principal from Lone Peak to take her place. This then caused them the need to fill the spot at Lone Peak. Rex Brimhall, Assistant Principal at Willowcreek, will be taking the Assistant Principal spot at Lone Peak. Jarom Becar, 8<sup>th</sup> grade English teacher, will become a Teacher on Administrative Assignment for the remainder of the year. The changes will be effective in December.

Items/concerns from members—There is mixed feedback concerning Advisory Period. Mr. Openshaw would like to talk to those parents who need clarification on Advisory. Another member wanted to say “Kudos” to the programs Willowcreek is providing for students.

Follow-Up Items:

- Develop what members will take to the feeder schools concerning Walkaway’s.
- Read newspaper article on Walkaway’s at the next meeting.
- Math meeting report at the next meeting.
- There will not be a School/Community Council Meeting in December.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, January 14, 2008  
12:00 Noon  
WMS Conference Room