

Kennedy Jr. High  
Community Council Meeting  
March 19, 2009 – 3:20 p.m.

In attendance: Angie Christensen, Claudette Connell, Dr. Bill Kenley, Wendy Fayles, Kathy Fuller, Lisa Peterson, Beverly Thatcher, and Cherilyn Bramall

Excused: Jeanne Quann

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Welcome

Wendy Fayles asked everyone in attendance to fill out a quick survey for the parent center.

Claudette has contacted Lisa Peters to let her know that she will be on the Community Council next year.

Claudette turned the time over to Bill Kenley to talk about budget changes for next year.

Due to the economic situation resulting in budget cuts in education there will be significant cuts in funding that schools have previously received. The QTSA funding has been discontinued for next year. This will mean that the teachers contracts will be cut by 5 QTSA days as well as the funding for projects. The trust lands budget has been capped for next year. The budget for next year will be less than this year but we don't know that amount yet. I should be receiving that information next week. We have gone through the surveys that were taken during parent teacher conferences and tallied the results. (A copy of the survey with calculations was handed out to everyone.)

The top three projects that were funded this year through QTSA/Trust lands are:

- Before and after school tutoring
- Lower class sizes
- Instructional aides

As we discuss the projects that we would like to fund through trust lands for next year, these three may be projects that we want to continue to fund. I would guess that we will receive about \$25,000 in trust lands budget for next year. Any amount that has not been spent this year will carry over to next year. If we decide to fund the before/after school tutoring, we may want to cap it at about \$5,000. A question was asked about the restrictions on QTSA and trust lands as to how the money can be spent and whether those restrictions will be lifted. We don't know as to the restrictions on the money but these projects that we have discussed fall into the existing restrictions on trust lands expenditures. A question was asked as to our projections for enrollment for next year. We are projecting enrollment to be approximately 30 students more than last year. The number of teachers that we have for FTE depends on the enrollment. The ratio is 1 teacher per 28 students. Teachers are aware that QTSA funding has been cut for next

year. A question was asked about the surveys and how many were taken. We had 212 surveys completed during parent teacher conference. Bill will email everyone with the budget projections as soon as he has the numbers.

Discussion about recruiting more business partners. USANA is an outstanding business partner that contributes a lot to our school. We could look into more business partners. There are small grants and other resources for funding to schools. There is a program called 100% for kids and Zions bank has a grant program that we could apply for next year.

Kathy Fuller will send Cheryl an email about the Huntsman Awards for Excellence in Education that will need to be forwarded to the faculty/staff. Nomination forms are available in the front office.

Next Community Council meeting scheduled for April 16, 2009 at 3:20 p.m. in the Media Center.

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