

Community Council Meeting November 10, 2022

Minutes

In Attendance: Rich Swanson, Brenda Bacon, Paulynn Hacking, Shalice Larsen, , J.D. Griffith, Becky Dunleavy, Jill Lacy, Jon Hunter, Sarah Cresap, Shon Feller (admin), Mylei Zachman (admin), Tim Allen (admin) Christy Mortensen, Tristen Beck, Guests: Alan Porter (counselor) Jake Taylor (teacher)

Welcome: Paulynn Hacking

Agenda items:

From last meeting: find specific Summit concerns to discuss as well as work to get the swim concerns on the city council agenda.

1. Shalice was able to speak to the Mayor in regards to the need of a pool to which he said they are very aware and have been working on different options. "Lifetime Fitness" is going in near Cabella's and it will have a large pool to which they (in the past) have worked with High Schools and the city would work to increase the number of lanes. It would allow for practices there. There is also an option where they may add an indoor facility near the current Farmington Rec Center. Jon Hunter had a similar conversation with members of the City Council and as those items come up on the agendas it would be good to have members of our Community Council at the meetings to show support.
2. Valedictorian discussion on going. Team at school have discussed the idea and merits. It was agreed that while recognition is important, singling that out is not on the plan right now. It was discussed that a larger sized recognition is more appealing and can be done through the graduation program and students meeting a certain standard. One potential issue is timing and ensuring that all items are accounted for well before graduation and printing the program happens. An honor cord would be another option so there is a visible reminder. The schools graduation committee will be the starting point for planning this and will begin with our current honor standards. Because this is new, this year will have to be more flexible.
3. Summit Concerns: Mr. Swanson had already sat down with Mrs. Cresap, who brought the concerns to the council meeting. He mentioned the changes that have been implemented, but not always communicated with parents, that have made positive impacts thus far. We are always seeking to improve the use of Summit or any platform. The larger question is if there are opt ins put in place what does that "traditional" school setting looks like. There is no set definition. Its always changing and adapting to need, research, technology, etc. FHS is always looking to improve. A discussion on PFA's and why they are important. Hard deadlines are another talking point that could increase buy in. Educating parents and families could be the key to making sure people understand why it works and what it does. JD Griffith brought up the idea of doing "three main questions to ask your students" (include answers) where students and parents can communicate over the program. Mrs. Cresap brought up the idea that new school board member will most likely vote for an opt out option but Mr. Swanson brought it back to no matter what program is utilized we need to make sure we do what is best for kids and improving our practices while communicating with parents and stakeholders.

For next meeting: How can we communicate with parents better in regards to Summit?

Meeting adjourned: Next Meeting January 12, 2023