

**Joel P. Jensen Middle School Community Council**  
**March 20, 2013**  
**Agenda**

- I. Minutes from previous meeting approved via email.
- II. Welcome, Celebrations, Latest News
- III. Counseling
- IV. SNAP Plan
- V. CRT information
- VI. iPad Lab
- VII. Trustlands review and proposal
- VIII. Calendar
- IX. Opportunity for community comments
- X. Next meeting – April 10, 2013, 4:30 pm
- XI. Adjourn

**Meeting Minutes**

Those in attendance: Lisa Blake, Jana Bailey, Janet Hamilton, Brenda Montgomery, Marilyn Kurt, Joyce Linder, Ben Jameson, Bryan Leggat, Patrice Shaffer, and Amber Anderson.

- I. Minutes from previous meeting approved via email.
- II. The following celebrations and news items were shared:
  - a. Bryan Leggat is working with the 20 students who have the most tardies. He has been providing incentives and disciplinary action and is starting to see positive results.
  - b. The music department is doing great. There are only a small group of students participating, but they are getting superior scores.
  - c. Compared to last year, this year has seen less classroom disruptions and less student harassments.
  - d. Students are celebrated each week during collaboration.
  - e. Mr. Leggat reported on the Panthers Beat Lions theme and expressed the importance of getting on winning streaks to help students feel better.
- III. Joyce Linder mentioned that the Counseling Center is getting ready for testing. They have most of the registration cards and projected enrollment for next year is 856.
- IV. Ben Jameson provided a handout of the School Neighborhood Access Program (SNAP) Plan. He explained the new Trax crossings. An idea was shared to provide safe access over the canal. Possible problems with this idea were discussed. Mr.

Jameson said he would contact the district. There are construction plans to redo the sewer lines along Old Bingham Highway that will probably make it necessary to reroute students. More information is coming. Information will be placed on the website when approved.

- V. Official CRT scores are not in for the 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Science classes. The raw scores indicate there are more students scoring 4's, less scoring 1's, and those scoring 2's and 3's are about the same. Students have just finished the DWA's. The Language Arts teachers are working on Benchmarks. There is a movement to shift to grading on mastery of concepts. RTI has started focusing on reteaching. A question was raised on how it is working for the teachers. It depends on the department. Reteaching makes it essential to have collaboration and common assessments. There has been positive feedback from the teachers.
- VI. The school has received a \$10,000 donation from a person in the community. We are planning to set up an iPad lab that can be checked out and used by teachers and will add to the technology tools available to students at the school. This lab will include 40 iPads and docking station. The lab costs \$18,000. The school and district have split the cost of the remaining \$8,000 so lab can be purchased. Looking at challenging teachers to come up with an iPad unit. All teachers will have been trained by the end of the summer. Will put apps for good educational sites on the website so parents can have access to links at home. Would like input on good educational apps.
- VII. Discussed trustlands budget. We will have about \$35,000 to spend next year. Amber Anderson provided a handout highlighting proposals and estimates including the following: two aides, calculators, printer and ink for the learning lab, funding for some Your Choice activities, summer math program, Math Ascend, and Quarterly Academic Incentives. Not planning on funding YPP and an enrichment counselor. Still plan to provide funds for professional development. There is still more money available. Amber Anderson will provide everyone with ideas of what other schools have purchased with their trustland money. E-mail Lisa Blake with other ideas and suggestions. We will need to make a final decision and vote on the budget at the meeting on April 10<sup>th</sup>.
- VIII. Discussion was held on when to hold elections. Will vote at the next meeting on whether to hold elections in the Spring or Fall.
- IX. Motion was given to adjourn. Adjourned at 6:00 p.m.