

JPJMS School Community Council Meeting Agenda
November 13, 2018
4:30 p.m.

Welcome

Minutes from previous meeting (September 11) approved via email

Celebrations and Latest News

Counseling

Principal's Report: Literacy Night
 Passing Rate
 Students Walking to School
 Instructional Coaching
 Boundary Changes

Continuation of Cell Phone Discussion

Report: Current STL plan status and progress

Discussion: Ideas for next STL plan

Calendar

Opportunity for Community Comments

Next meeting – January 8, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.

Adjourn

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Those in attendance: Jimmy Anderson, Shanna Anderson (Chair), Lisa Dean, Doris Hunt, Jen Jensen, Anjanette Jones, Brien Maxfield (Vice-Chair), Kristen Miles, Melanie Nixon, Tiffany Southworth, Bryan Leggat (Principal), Patrice Shaffer (Secretary), Jill Smith, and Amber Zdunich.

Call to order: 4:33 pm by Shanna Anderson.

1. **Welcome.** Shanna welcomed everyone to the meeting and had them introduce themselves.
2. **Minutes from previous meeting (September 11) approved via email.** There are 16 voting members of the council, 14 approved the minutes, 1 abstained, and there was 1 no response.
3. **Celebration and Latest News.**
 - a. The custodian's most recent audit was 87%. The lead conducts nightly audits of sweepers.
 - b. We've received 100% on safety audit for the past six audits.
 - c. Camera has been installed in Media Center to cut down on theft and vandalism. We have room for one more camera.
 - d. Detective Leary has retired and accepted employment at BYU. Our new School Resource Officer (SRO) is Detective Troy Strong. Mr. Leggat mentioned the expectations he has of the SRO.
 - e. John Scott, a new math teacher at our school, survived an accident involving a Trax train. His sister, Kesho Scott, a faculty member of Grinnell College, will be coming to our

school on Friday. She will speak with the faculty before school, 9th grade students during 2nd period, and student leadership groups during 3rd. She will mingle with faculty during lunch, then conduct writing workshops with Ms. Moe's classes during 5th and 6th. She will spend the rest of the time in her brother's math classes.

- f. Reading Plus is a great success. So far there is a large group of students who have raised their reading level up 1 ½ years since the beginning of the school year.
- g. Mr. Leggat has been trying to change the reputation of the school by getting the word out about school successes through Facebook and Instagram.

4. Counseling Report given by Jill Smith.

- a. Jill Smith gave a report of the **Student Senate Meeting**. Team Prowl conducted an Anti-Bullying week. This holiday they will be making and selling Danish Heart baskets at lunch. Panther Supporting Panthers (PSP) is running. Latinos in Action (LIA) is tutoring weekly. They will be having a fundraiser through Chick-fil-A on November 29th. They had a successful Spanish Heritage Week in October. Student Body Officers (SBO's) will be collecting supplies for the Children's Justice Center.
- b. Counselors will be doing more with Utah Futures this quarter with the 8th and 9th grades as they prepare for PCCR's.
- c. Reality Town for 9th grade will be happening in December. They are still working on getting volunteers.
- d. There are 11 students participating in the ADAPT Group.
- e. Mr. Farias is helping with a group providing safe space for LGBTQ students. This is held twice a month for half a year.
- f. The counselors are working with a Resiliency Support group helping students struggling emotionally.
- g. Eighth grade PCCR's will start after Christmas. Parents appreciated the Counselors mentioning the Regent Scholarship during the PCCR's. The counselors will hold meetings during two evening so working parents can come.

5. Principal's Report:

- a. **Literacy Night**. Literacy Night was a success. More attended than last year. Next year student leadership will be encouraged to invite one friend along with their family.
- b. **Passing Rate**. Bryan Leggat explained and celebrated the 1st quarter passing rate of 89.67%.
- c. **Students Walking to School**. Parents mentioned a problem with not being able to see students as they cross in the school parking lot. They mentioned there needs to be a light on the crosswalk so people in the crosswalk can be seen. Mr. Leggat mentions he regularly reminds students to wear light clothing, make eye contact and watch for cars as they cross the streets. He will continue to do so.
- d. **Instructional Coaching**. The school has received funding from the school board for 7 periods of instructional coaching. The school has arranged to have some of their best teachers have a coaching period so they can observe and help other teachers. The goal is to have them talk with other teachers and give feedback on the goals of that teacher.
- e. **Boundary Changes**. The school board will give out the information when they've reached a decision. Amber Zdunich explained what she knows so far about permit policies. She mentioned that all permits will be handled online. So far the open window for permits starts on December 3rd. It was mentioned that West Jordan High is applying

to be an IB High School. It is possible that Joel P. Jensen Middle School might be able to have the ALPS program in the future.

6. **Discussion was held about cell phone usage in the classroom.** Mr. Leggat said he talked with teachers to make sure they are sensitive to those students who do not have cell phone technology. Technology in the classroom should be available to all students.
7. **Report: Current STL plan status and progress.** Most funds were used to get technology (five Chromebook labs). Funds also went for two ZAP Aids to work in the Learning Center, for the Ascend Math program which is used after school on Wednesdays, for the Summer Reading and Math programs, supplies for extension activities (i.e. Book Club and Makerspace), and for teacher professional development. Suggestion was given to have Ascend Math also available during RTI. Teachers have applied for grants for STEM and credit recovery. We haven't heard any more information about the 21st Century Grant.
8. **Discussion: Ideas for next STL plan.** This discussion will take place at the next meeting. Mr. Leggat mentioned that the students struggle most with reading and math.
9. **Calendar.** Amber Zdunich mentioned the following calendar items.
 - a. November 14th – Honors Music program at West Jordan Middle School
 - b. November 15th – Panther of the Quarter assembly
 - c. November 21-23 – School closed for Thanksgiving break
 - d. November 28th – Math Lab open after school
 - e. November 30th – Mid-terms printed
 - f. December 3rd – Permit application window open for lottery
 - g. December 3rd – Panther Express begins
 - h. December 4th – Reality Town for 9th grade, 8 am to Noon.
 - i. December 6th – Dance Performance in morning, visitors check in at the main office
 - j. December 13th – Fine Arts Winter Showcase
 - k. December 18th – Choir Concert, 7 pm
 - l. December 19th – Band and Orchestra concert
 - m. December 21st – Last day of school in December and beginning of Winter Recess
 - n. January 2nd – Return to school
 - o. January 8th – School Community Council Meeting, 4:30 pm in the Media Center
 - p. January 11th – Last day of 2nd quarter.
10. **Opportunity for Community Comments.** Discussion was held on the possibility of students being able to check out Chromebooks to take home. For various reasons, it is not something the school is considering at this time.
11. **Next meeting – January 8, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.**
12. **Adjourn. MOTION** to adjourn by Lisa Dean. It was seconded and approved unanimously.

Adjourned 6:10 pm.