

PGHS School Community Council

Wednesday, November 7, 2018

In Attendance: Cheri Hardman, Cristie Wood, Jana Porter, Heather Downs, Laura Clement, Kyle Sanderson, Cheryl Williams, Josh Tenney, Paula Jardine, Jill Memmott, Russ Mayo, Stacey Squires, Jennifer Walker, Kurt Wollenzien, Matt Embley, Bill Shupe, Amanda Siebert

Welcome – Cristie Wood

Dr Stewart was excused

Amanda Siebert was welcomed back. Jana Porter will remain the vice chair

Review of School Trips: Drill Team to New York, Choir trip. There was some discussion of the content of the trips, expense, fundraising opportunities, whether the trip approval by parents was anonymous, the problem with having one team member that can't go because of various reasons and our role as SCC.

Bill Shupe motioned to approve the trips.

Sheri Hardman seconded.

The motion passed unanimously

Jana Porter motioned to approve the minutes

Cheryl Williams seconded.

The minutes were approved unanimously

Data Discussing—New Approach to Data Collection and Comparison

No SAGE, new test: ASPIRE

Test Data Review—Matt Embley

Matt Embley showed the data from ACT scores that showed PGHS is above state average for readying students for college. PGHS AP class sizes are going up, the number of exams are going up and the passing scores were going up. He noted that usually when enrollment goes up, scores go down, but not at PGHS.

There was some discussion about classes expanding because of greater demand. Large numbers of students are not turned away from AP classes. In some instances extra classes have been added as there is more demand.

Matt Embley showed an illustration of a PLC cycle of teachers working together for the benefit of individual students. He shared Dr. John Hattie's research on collective teacher efficacy and gave examples from the Adlai E. Stevenson High School in Illinois as well as AF High School and their successes as they have implemented this research. This year, some PGHS faculty and administration will attend a PLC Conference in Phoenix, but, the goal is to have more teachers have this opportunity when the Conference is held in the fall in SLC (when it is closer and more affordable.) Teachers would use this material as they lead and collaborate.

Matt Embley also shared that PGHS social study skills have increased from 60 to 85 %. AP test scores in the social study area are correspondingly increasing.

There was some about AP tests and colleges moving toward testing skills and application of knowledge rather than facts that can be accessed on the internet.

The plan is to have the Phoenix conference attendees come back to team and mentor and train others. PGHS has been doing PLC word for 20 years, but we can "up our game" if we train more teachers.

East Shore Data Review—Heather Downs

East Shore has replaced alpine Life and Learning packets. Everything is done online, now. Over 500 students are in this program, with 2085 tests taken and over 260 credits earned (not counting Driver's Ed) PGHS is behind Lone Peak (most of them want to use this system to graduate early) and West Lake (1,000 more students with classes of 30, helped by 2 DC coordinators and advocates.) This is an integral part of PGHS graduation success. All of the students in East Shore classes are behind in credits. This

class is essential for those students that have very little parental support, are making poor decisions and have poor attendance, etc.

English Department approach- Paula Jardine

The English department has been using the carts to supplement what they already have. They have used their paid substitutes for the common assessment and are in fact presenting at a conference about this data assessment. They are trying to team teach in small groups to those who are not able to do a RICE (restate, Inform, cite, educate) and hope to have a writing lab with more focus. They are working with other disciplines to educate on using the RICE paragraph writing in other subjects.

Jennifer Walker moved to close the meeting

Bill Shupe seconded.

Meeting closed.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 5th at 12:00