

Parowan High School Community Council Comprehensive Guidance/Advisory Committee

Date: April 22, 2014

Attendance: Roy Mathews, Ava Chamberlain, Pat Benson, Janice Ruesch, Tyra Rice

1. Called to Order: 2:52 pm
2. **Correction and Approval of minutes** for March 18, 2014
 - 2.1. Corrections should read: #7 April 9 doing comprehensive guidance program review. 10.1 as to.
 - 2.2. Motion: Ava /2nd: Roy . Motion approved
3. **Open Issues:**
 - 3.1. **Calculators for Math Program:**
 - 3.1.1. The calculators are here and in use. All 60 of them. Read letter of appreciation from math program. They also thanked us for the special answer key and assessment books. We have received positive feedback on the extra work done by teachers to meet the needs of students.
 - 3.1.2. Motion: Pat/2nd: Ava. Motion approved.
 - 3.2. **Bullying:**
 - 3.2.1. Poor attendance at bullying night with Dave Mineer. But we got positive feedback from those who attended.
 - 3.2.2. Convergys has donated kindles for grand prizes at the end of year for the Cool to Care program.
 - 3.2.3. The program's future direction and modification are being worked on.
 - 3.3. **Late Start Wednesday/ACT Testing Results**
 - 3.3.1. We viewed the results of the Act tests given at the school. From 2013 to 2014 we had an increase in college readiness. It is only a one year comparison but looks encouraging. Credit was given to the ACT prep classes given this year during late start. Test taking strategies was emphasized.
 - 3.3.2. Late Start has created a culture that shows that this has made a significant difference in the productivity of the students. It is gaining a positive review.
 - 3.3.3. It is recommended that we make "crash course for ACT" available. There is also an online program called "Smoop". It is a diagnostic program to help them.
 - 3.3.4. Went from 19 students on the academic ineligibility list to 13, in the 3rd quarter.
4. **New Business**
 - 4.1. **Legislative updates**
 - 4.1.1. Postponed for Ben's return.
 - 4.2. **Parowan Youth Council** I
 - 4.2.1. They have moved forward with it and compiled a good list of students to work with.
5. **Comprehensive Guidance/Advisory Committee**
 - 5.1. Comp Guidance Review went well. We passed. But we were prepared well.

- 5.2. CCR team advisories are planning service projects. It will be a 4 week project. There will be 18 different groups working throughout town on May 7
- 5.3. Eleventh grade needs were assessed and their career clusters were reviewed. Ava felt good about their work ethic, questions, and results. They spent time looking at the curriculum for colleges that fit their needs. Will look at using the ACT and other information to help them see what colleges to look at.
- 5.4. Needs Assessment Survey: Ava would like feedback on the survey itself. She asked us to take it to give her feedback. She would like to revamp it. She had some interesting results from the last set of answers. She shared these with us. She also asked our opinion about having the parents attend a fall conference, like we used to, focusing on students' needs, school progress, setting goals, connection to the school, and advocacy with advisor, financial aid, graduation requirements, etc. We agreed that this would be beneficial.
- 5.5. Choking game was reviewed with 7th graders. It was a positive meeting.
6. **Budget:**
 - 6.1. No items for budget
7. **Member Comments**
 - 7.1. none
8. **Public Comments.**
 - 8.1. . none
9. **Adjournment:** 3:33 Motion: Roy/2nd: Ava. Motion approved.