

Community Council Minutes

September 23, 2015

In attendance: Dale Vranes, Engor McRae, Spencer Vogrinec, April Fenn, McKinlie Starr, Jessica Gibbons, Karen Romrell, Sheila Berbert, Karen Findley, Gary Woodward, Louise Madsen, Melanie Shepherd, Jason Smith, Dan Linford, Marci Abbott **Excused:** Robin Anderson, Dave Tate, Hollie Barenz, Chadli Bodily, Shawn Johnson, Nate Gundersen **Not Excused:** David Merkley, Ridge Lewis

Welcome: Karen Romrell

Action Items:

1. Council members were introduced.
2. There are three current vacancies on the Community Council (Taylor Elementary, Reading Elementary, and Tolman Elementary). An email was sent to all parents on September 21, 2015 seeking representatives in each of these areas. The deadline to declare interest in a position on the community council is October 1, 2015. Voting will take place October 2nd- October 6th.

Discussion items:

1.
 - a. Jason Smith and Dan Linford spent some time discussing the upcoming Bond Election and encouraged council members to distribute the "Room to Learn" 2015 Bond Proposal information cards to their neighbors. There is a public bond presentation in the Little Theatre Thursday evening, September 24th at 7:00 pm.
 - b. Jason Smith discussed the role of the community council. The council is to provide direction to school districts and schools in establishing and maintaining school community councils whose primary focus is to develop, approve, and assist in implementing school plans. This includes the school improvement plan, school Land Trust plan, and professional development plan.
 - c. The community council meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 3:00 pm. The 2015-16 school year meeting dates are: September 23, October 21st, November 18th, January 20th, February 17th, March 16th, and April 20th.
2. Spencer Vogrinec – Student Body President reported on the Homecoming activities that will be taking place next week. Plans are underway right now for the powderpuff game, lunch time activities, the homecoming assembly, parade, tailgate and the football game Friday night. The dance will be on Saturday. The Harvest activities are around the corner and plans are in the works for a whole new Guadalupe program in December.
3. Dan Linford – Administrative Report:
 - a. If the bond passes, Viewmont High School will be impacted. Target areas for improvements are: air conditioning, the Little Theatre, Media Center, the parking lot, auditorium, classroom and corridors refaced. Mr. Linford encouraged council members to be a voice and presence at the bond meetings and through email and communications in behalf of upgrading Viewmont High School.
 - b. Mr. Linford just received word that Viewmont had the lowest dropout rate in the district this past year mostly because of the efforts of our counselors and base camp program.
4. The next community council meeting will be held October 21, 2015. Dale Vranes made a motion to adjourn.