

D'Evelyn Accountability Committee Meeting
December 8, 2015
DRAFT MINUTES

Welcome and Introductions – Wendy Campbell

Opened meeting at 7:00 AM

Approval of November 2015 Minutes

Tabled until January 2016

Student Council Updates – Se Young Cheong

- Pennies for Patients will run January 11th-15th – will run other events related to this through February 15th
- Trying to bring back Mr. DHS event in the spring (male beauty pageant)

New Staff Introductions

- Ms. Debra Pruit – math teacher
- Ms. Jennifer Nickerson – social studies/PE

Counselor Presentation – Rob Northway and Molly Harrington

- The counselors discussed the roles they play in the main areas of academics, social/emotional wellbeing and career/college planning
- ICAP is given in Junior High (both 7th and 8th grades)
- Junior High updates include: counseling needs assessment, overcoming test anxiety presentations, boys mentoring, NJHS
- High School has 2 counselors that have dedicated and shared duties
- High School duties include AP Coordination, Career Exploration, ACT/SAT preparation, college rep visits, junior escorts for graduation, jag tracks articles, college night, district high school committee
- January 5th is the date for the practice ACT
- ICAP is given in 9th grade and reviewed each following year to discuss issues involving college and career goals
- High School updates include: 9th grade transition day, counseling needs assessment, partnership with College Drive (ACT Prep), highly selective small group for seniors, Sources of Strength (program for student support based on peer to peer interaction that will be implemented next school year), April college night open to all grades, coffee with counselors
- Next coffee with counselors is February 9th from 7:30-8:30 am (anyone is welcome)

Facebook Page – Lisa Baird

- DEvelynEducationFoundation is the name of the page
- Parents/community members are encouraged to like this page

- Lisa can be reached at lisa_baird@yahoo.com or 720-810-3859. You can send her articles, pictures, etc... for the Facebook page

Planning for a Community Event on Keeping our Kids Safe Online

- Mr. Edwards discussed having the SRO and other professionals present on the topic of keeping our kids safe online. This would be a parent and/or older student event in the evening
- This event could be held next semester (potentially March prior to Spring Break – March 9th)
- A suggestion was made regarding inviting the Dennison community but appropriateness of the presentation will need to be explored further.

Principal Report – Tony Edwards

- Building construction update: the scope of work has been reduced. Therefore, the school will no longer be shut down for the entire summer. The chiller will be replaced which will impact athletics over the summer (The project will begin the week after school is out for summer).
- Prep school will continue as normal
- Location of summer school programs will be determined at a later date
- Budget update: this year junior high students are funded at the junior high level which increases the funding for these students over last year when they were funded at the same level as high school students.
- On December 18th the school will receive its budget and updates to A/C will be provided after that date. Any reductions or excesses will be discussed.
- D'Evelyn Phone App: former teacher (computer) is working on this app. It will include calendar, daily announcements, contact info for staff, etc... Test phase will begin when we return from winter break. If everything is working correctly then it will be sent out to the entire community after a few weeks of testing.
- Fall sports have officially ended. Winter sports are starting.
- This week is concert week (choir, band, orchestra)
- 2014/2015 8th Grade Survey results were presented to A/C this year and Senior High Survey results will be presented early next semester.

Steering Committee Report (S/C) – Lisa Papke

- Candidate Information meeting followed the November A/C meeting and there was a good turnout for interested candidates.
- Those interested in running for election of open Steering positions will need to submit their application by the deadline of February 16, 2016 at 3:00 in the Main office Steering Chair's box.

- Founder and Emeritus meeting will be held in January following the A/C meeting on January 12, 2016 at 6:45 p.m. We encourage all community members to attend and learn from the Founders and Emeritus historical information regarding the school and how best to protect our program.
- Curricular reviews completed: AP Spanish/ AP Psych/ AP Chemistry/ AP Art. Next semester we will begin three more existing course reviews.
- Algebra Basics Skills course will be eliminated from the course selection starting fall 2016.
- SC approved several beginning option to use Virtual Academy for credit recovery options.
- Mid-year Principal review was just completed

One Book, One D'Evelyn – Tony Edwards

- Book chosen is Frankenstein
- The founders gave their recommendations. These recommendations were then taken to the entire staff for their input. The final choices were reviewed with the sub-committee for final selection.
- Two books clubs will be held during the event (one prior to spring break and one after spring break)
- Spring musical is Young Frankenstein and the timing of the kickoff event will be coordinated with the musical performances
- Please contact Carrie Kollar (A/C Recorder) for any additional information about this program

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 AM

Attendees: Tony Edwards, Josh Griffin, Carrie Kollar, Wendy Campbell, Dana Miller, Valerie Jahr, Dana Baker, Bob Chapin, Matthew Durkin, Lisa Papke, Lisa Rukstales, Ralph Spencer, Joe Trumble, Debbie Pruitt, Jennifer Nickerson, Beverly Haynie, Molly Harrington, Rob Northway, Amy Davis

Next Meeting – Tuesday, January 12, 2016, 5:30-6:30 PM (Library)