

PCHS COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES *-draft-*

May 18, 2009

Liz Lee called the meeting to order at 2:40pm in Josh Vorwaller's room.

Members Present: Liz Lee, Hilary Hays, Julie Lonczak, Roger Arsht, Terry Shapard, Connie Whitworth, Josh Vorwaller, Kate Dougherty, Chris Maddux, Dave McNaughton. **Members Absent:** Cindy Albrecht. **Guests:** John Hall, Lynn Cier, Tania Knauer, Sue Galusha, Mary Purzycki.

1. **Public Comment:** None
2. **Welcome to New CC Members/Election Results:** Newly elected parent members for 2009-2011 are Lynn Cier, Suze Weir, and Connie Whitworth; newly elected school employee members for 2009-2011 are Sue Galusha and Roger Arsht.
3. **Proposed BY-Laws:** Julie Lonczak presented a revised draft of by-laws and highlighted changes that were suggested by PCSD BOE members and PCSD Superintendent, as well as changes suggested in new amendments to Rule by State of Utah on 5-10-09. Julie made motion to approve by-laws with proposed changes; Kate seconded motion; motion passed. Copies of approved by-laws to be electronically mailed to PCHS SCC members plus PCSF BOE President Kim Carson and PCSD Superintendent Ray Timothy.
4. **Budget Update/Funding Requests:** Kate discussed the budget and suggested that there was approximately a 2-month lag in the accounting. Roger Arsht still awaiting costs for THE EXACT WORD program. Funding requests included:
 - a. John Hall discussed the APE Funding and said the program has already increased the grades of 14 students. He brought data showing that the grades in a number of classes have shown improvement. He had also asked about number of classes where grades had regressed but this data was not included. The APE assistant has been working 15-20 hours/week. John was requesting that the PCHS SCC approve monies to fund the position through the end of the year. Kate made motion to fund an additional \$500 for program to be used if needed; Connie seconded motion; motion passed.
 - b. Mary Purzycki requested initially approx \$2800 to fund training and books for teachers involved in robotics program. She said that all the hardware and software was purchased through grants. For this flat fee, the instructor will come to PCHS to train any and all teachers in the robotics program. Hilary stated that the books could come out of the PCHS budget. Kate made motion to fund \$2200 for training; Hilary seconded motion; motion passed.
5. **Video: A Matter of Trust:** DVD was given to new SCC members to view at their convenience.
6. **Additional Comments from CC members:**
 - a. Liz mentioned that there has been some recent discussion of doing electronic voting for future SCC elections and that this will be a project for next year, in concert with the PCHS IT director.

- b. Liz brought copies of an email from School LAND Trust with changes. The PCSD BOE will now officially be the organization the PCHS SCC and all schools' SCC report to.
 - c. Liz proposed forming task force/subcommittee to keep abreast of PCHS By-laws and any changes in State Law that might affect it. She recommended Julie Lonczak to be this committee. Motion approved.
 - d. Connie reported on two area she has received public comment on:
 - i. Are the Math Labs addressing the needs of all students?
 - ii. Kudos to Betsy Macalo, which is the new Scholarship Counselor
 - e. Roger mentioned Key Club End-of-Year Banquet will be a cook-out May 28, 2009 at 6 PM at Rotary Park
 - f. Hilary mentioned that the Top Ten banquet will be May 27, 2009
 - g. Liz and Connie reported that 320 students have signed up for the bus to prom on May 30, 2009, and Kate mentioned that the PTSO had underwritten \$2500 towards this.
 - h. Hilary mentioned that on Monday, June 1, 2009 a group representing the James McConnell Award will be visiting the school. They are looking at the "functionality" of our new high school building and will be talking to educators as well as parents. Two other schools, one in Denver and one in Texas, are in contention for this national honor. Results should be determined by the end of that week.
7. Tentative dates for PCHS SCC meetings during the 2009-2010 school year are: 8/31, 9/14, 10/19, 11/16, 1/25, 2/22, 3/22, 4/26, and 5/24.
8. **Minutes** for April 2009 PCHS SCC meeting were approved.

Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm. Next meeting will be on August 31 at 2:40pm.