

Willowcreek Middle School

School Community Council

2/10/2016

Attendance: Angie Lethbridge, Julie Sheen, Michelle Francom, Susan Archibald, Wendy Rencher, Rebecca Call, Shelly Brailsford, Rebecca Call, Jarom Becar, Jennifer Betts, Brenda Measom.

Excused: Deann Kettenring, Kristie Hall, Amy Grace, Tricia Dunstan, David Madsen

Minutes from January were approved by Wendy Rencher, second by Susan Archibald.

Mr. Becar spoke with Community council about the biggest needs for trustlands monies.

- \$8,000 Extended Contracts
- \$40,000 Academic Coaches
- \$1800.00 Late Bus Tuesday
- 23,000-24,000 Remaining - Teacher grants would cost approx \$13,000

Our goals as a school for academic achievement will focus on improving writing and remediation for all students.

Willowcreek is seeing better success with students with some of the programs we are offering them after school. It just gives them that extra push, and they enjoy it.

- Credit recovery classes - After School offering is new and is seeing success. This is by invitation and a teacher stays after to facilitate
- Math & Science parties - calling these help sessions "parties" and offering a treat or snack has increased attendance and there is a lot of good happening here. This is by invitation through the academic coaches.

Ms. Measom from the English Department came in and discussed what their needs would be. A specific area needing to be focused on is critical thinking as an official writing component. The department has the district language arts specialist coming in and doing some training and assessments before our next meeting. Professional Development would be helpful with a focus on language and physical technology limitations are a problem for the English departments as the computer labs are continuously in use by all departments at the school. It was asked if summer collaboration days are needed and/or conferences. We are waiting to see what was decided after having the district specialist come in.

Discussion afterward, focused on questions about possibly funding collaboration, conferences, trainings, computer labs/chromebook labs, Go My Access vs. Utah Compose writing software

A Chromebook lab costs between 12,000-16,000 and a laptop lab between 28,000-30,000

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