

Riverton High School  
 School Community Council Meeting

5:00 p.m. in Room 1130  
 March 30, 2016

In attendance	Absent	Other attendees
Carolyn Gough Janilee Taylor Linda Tranter Brigette Comish Scott Festin Shauna Eccles Scott Gunther Tim Dennis Amy Murray Melinda Van Komen Brenda Bingham	Rhonda Spivey Mike Bohling Jim Groethe Lisa Childers Matthew Young	

**1. Welcome and Approval of Minutes from February 24, 2016 – Scott Festin**

Scott Festin, Council Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:06 pm and welcomed those in attendance. The minutes from the February 24, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Shauna Eccles made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Linda Tranter. The motion passed unanimously.

**2. Land Trust Budget Review and Approval -- Carolyn Gough**

Carolyn Gough presented the 2016-17 Proposed Land Trust Budget. The budget proposal was emailed ahead for council members to review. It has the same structure as in previous years. There are four PLC questions. Every goal based on the questions. Bold text in the budget proposal denotes the items that are costs in the budget. Each goal is funded, but specific amounts are not identified. This allows for flexibility in the spending of money. On a trajectory of a five year plan, so not a lot of changes anticipated. Next year will be year three. Trust Land Budget is the most flexible pot of money available. Thing teachers need most is time, therefore, the most significant expense is substitutes and/or paid time on non-contract days. One of the only schools to have a new teacher mentor program. New teachers meet on a monthly basis with their mentors. Would like to purchase *Common Assessments* for each teacher as a reference book and next year's focus would be on common assessments. The second goal deals with helping students that are not on track. Budget would provide tutors, especially in math and to expand the deployment of software such as Math XL software. These software packages could be paid for by students as a technology fee. There was some discussion about shortcomings in the Math XL software and disconnects between instruction and the exercises. Ms. Gough asked for emailed feedback from parents when these issues arise. Mrs. Brown has asked teachers who would like to use Math XL. It requires some basic computer skills, so some students have trouble using it. Additionally, purchase of Read 180 and System 44 software platforms. Students can individualize reading programs. These packages are currently being used by the most struggling readers and ESL students. Ongoing cost will be technical support. Big ticket item next year is a credit recovery program. Looking at possibly replacing packets to allow students to recover lost credit. Software purchase could have a big cost, but would standardize packets. Have a place available for students to learn study habits with a responsible party to oversee progress. There was discussion regarding providing services for all students and identifying struggling students. Putting in place opportunities to catch students who are not learning and identifying why they are not learning. Ms. Bingham asked if there is the possibility of specifically looking at identifying and aiding

dyslexic students. Another expense would be the setting up collaboration spaces with furniture and white boards to discuss student achievement. Can keep information on students confidential. Goal four is for students who have excelled and need additional challenge. Would provide materials, lab supplies, and transportation for students who have excelled. The example of the Academic Decathlon trip to St. George. If there is ever any extra money, it would be spent on computer hardware. Estimated at \$136,000 for next year's budget. Ms. Van Komen asked how the solid-B student would benefit from the proposed Trust Land budget. Responses included everything in goal 1 and 2 has to do with catching student's learning in the common assessments, that all students can take advantage of tutoring, and teachers being able to dedicate more one on one time to students.

A motion to accept the Land Trust Budget for the 2016-17 school year was made by Melinda Van Komen and seconded by Brenda Bingham. The motion passed unanimously.

### **3. Fundraising Report -- Janilee Taylor**

Janilee Taylor presented the updated Fundraising Report for the council to review. The choir is still not listed on the report. Mr. Ulmer will get the information to Mr. Hagen. There was discussion about how fundraisers are regulated. The activities on the report are run by each organization, not the school. Activities are subject to school approval.

### **4. Arena Scheduling Dates Reminder – Janilee Taylor**

Dates for Arena Scheduling for the 2016-17 school year were reviewed. There was discussion regarding the timing disconnect between JATC scheduling and the master schedule not being available. Master schedule will be posted around April 7. Master schedule will have all classes available. Reserving a number of seats in honors classes is frustrating, but others expressed the view that sophomores should be able add classes.

<b>April 19</b>	6:00 p.m. Parent online registration orientation night in RHS Auditorium
<b>April 21 &amp; 22</b>	Current 11 <sup>th</sup> grade on-line registration begins – window opens April 21 at 3:00 pm.
<b>April 25 &amp; 26</b>	Current 10 <sup>th</sup> grade on-line registration begins – window opens April 25 at 3:00 pm.
<b>April 27 &amp; 28</b>	Current 9 <sup>th</sup> grade on-line registration begins – window opens April 27 at 4:00 pm.
<b>April 29 - May 8</b>	On-line registration window is <b>WIDE OPEN</b> for all students
<b>June 6-19</b>	The Arena Scheduling Window will be <b>WIDE OPEN</b> for all students
<b>August 15-24</b>	The Arena Scheduling Window will be <b>WIDE OPEN</b> for all students

### **5. Review of Legislative Changes from the 2016 Legislature – Carolyn Gough**

Summaries of bills that affect the Community Councils and Land Trust Budgets that were passed by the 2016 Legislature were distributed. Minor changes to the Community Council roles. Two bills would propose a constitutional amendment to adjust the amount available for distribution from 2% to 4%. This will be on the November ballot. A yes vote would change that. Council members were urged to encourage neighbors to support. Also changes the way the funds are invested. HB 277 would provide grants for districts to apply for that would provide technology. It's possible to replace trust land money spent on technology with grant money, freeing up trust land money for other uses. Wireless bandwidth would be a good candidate for this grant money. Ongoing technical support for computer labs is an expense that could be included as well.

Motion to adjourn was made by Amy Murray and seconded by Linda Tranter. Meeting was adjourned at 6:37 pm.