

City Academy Advisory Council Meeting 11.7.17

Attending: Brian Chapman, Sophie Saxton, Sonia Woodbury, Rebecca P., Merilee Ibarra

Absent: Rebecca Huntsman, David Oldroyd

Member Introduction

Minutes and Agenda need to be posted so that Parents can view them before and after the meeting.
Agenda idea - post on doors and Monday Mail.

Proposed Committee Positions - Passed unanimously

Chair - Brian Chapman

Secretary - Gail Richardson

Introduction to the Purpose of City Academy Advisory Council by Dr. Woodbury

Meets monthly November to June. Council consists of 6 parents, one for each grade level; 2 elected staff members; 2 student representatives; and 1 administrator.

- Comprehensive Guidance
- Extended Day Programs
- First Amendment School matters
- Internet Safety and Digital Citizenship
- School LAND Trust funds
- School Wellness Plan
- Title 1 Programs
- Transportation

How to best represent the student & Parents in each grade:

- Mass emails to parents have been problematic
- Parent Representatives could be listed in the Monday Mail
- Add Agenda and Meeting time to Monday Mail
- Gail will make sure that Council Information is in the Monday Mail & print 2 copies of the Agenda to post on the doors of the school
- Gaby will write article to parents about what/why parents should participate

School Improvement Plan presented by Dr. Woodbury

- Build Parent Involvement specifically in their own child's education
- Improve Test Scores - connected to our school rating
- Submitted to the State

See "School Improvement Plan - UCA 2017-2018

- Goal 1: Improve student achievement in Mathematics
- Goal 2: Improve Student achievement in English
- Goal 3: Improve Graduation Rate

Question and Explanation of the role of Department Head and Coaches

Should entering school be required to have a summer math program that is taught by our teachers. Can it be a requirement? Should it be? It would give the Math Teachers & a head start on the year.

What is parent participation for "back to school night" and "parent teacher conference?" We had a PSO night instead of Back to School night. We also have a "Registration Day" which had a lot of parent participation. Parent University offered by Wendy Phillips. Attendance has been good.

Important to build connection between PSO and Community Council. Include Important Parent Information at Art Share - to encourage Parent Involvement. Can we provide data that shows our

improving numbers - a better story that we tell ourselves to improve the sometimes erroneous portrayal by state numbers.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:22 pm