

West High School Community Council minutes (approved)

January 10, 2022

Virtual Meeting

Zoom

<https://slcschools-org.zoom.us/j/87967900858>

I. Welcome and Introductions

In attendance: Katherine Stroud (Chair), Bernard Price (Chair-Elect), Anna Cekola (Secretary), Suzanne Attix, Phillip Baker, Jennifer Barrett, Ami Burton, Jessica Esparza, Valerie Gates, Penny Graven, Michael Hughes, Somer Julio, Julie Lewis, Holly Reynolds, Alexandra Rocco, Lisa Speight, Emily Stromness, Ron Zamir, Katherine Kennedy (SLCSB)

Guests: Bryce Williams (SLCSB), , Rep. Jen Dailey-Provost, Robert Guido,

Absent: Sela Botchway, Shane Brogan, Suyin Chong, Laura Hernandez, Annalee Monson

II. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes – Approving November minutes; December meeting canceled. Approved unanimously.

B. Fundraisers and Trips

1. Wrestling Tournament Trips [one](#) and [two](#) – Approved unanimously via email in December. See attachment.
2. [Science Olympiad](#) Special Trip — Approved unanimously via email in December. See the email below and attachment.



Katherine Stroud

Re: Trips to approve

To: Emily Pettey, Cc: Alexandra Rocco, PA-C, Anna Cekola, Ami Burton, Annalee Monson, Bernard T Price (IS) & 17 more

December 17, 2021 at 11:08 AM

[Details](#)

I approve both trips as well. That brings us to 18 voting to approve, and 5 votes unsubmitted. The trips are officially approved.

Thank you everyone!

[See More from Emily Pettey](#)

3. Boys Soccer fundraisers; June 2022 camp for incoming freshmen; \$5,000 projected profit. Team Spirit Night in March through Chick-fil-A; \$5,000 projected profit.
4. JROTC Candy sales; \$6,000 projected profit.

5. Ghana Student Support, selling masks and wooden figurines from Ghana; \$25,000 projected profit.

All approved unanimously.

III. Information Items

A. SCC representation on Naming, Dress Code, and Tardy / Attendance ad hoc committees (Katherine): Representatives will attend meetings and report to SCC. Volunteers: Bernard, Katherine, Penny (Dress Code); Katherine, Bernard (Names-basketball court coming up); Alexandra, Julie, Jessica (Tardy).

IV. Discussion Items

A. LAND Trust Goal Review

1. **Goal #2 College and Career Readiness / College Access**

(Jared): \$54,000 allocated funds supported salary and benefits for AVID and Latinos in Action program teachers and staff. Major initiatives include outreach for college and scholarship opportunities, with 42% of seniors making Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) applications, an increase for West, and above the average of comparable schools.

2. **Goal #3 West High Equity** (Jared): Initiatives include collecting survey information, creating an internal committee, and offering a new ethnic studies course, which is up and running.

B. **Training Review / Acknowledgement** – Everyone in attendance checked off except Emily, Penny, and Phil. Teacher members will watch as well.

C. **Data for LAND Trust (Katherine)**: Subcommittee exploring data will meet with school and district officials to hone in on the most relevant information to review.

D. **Lock Down insights (Jared)**: Since the December lockdown, school officials have been working with staff and faculty to review policies and actions and meeting with district and other high school leaders. We have discovered things we did well and ways to improve. It is also clear that the district needs to devote more resources to security efforts, from hiring additional SRO officers to buying more HD cameras and making facility upgrades at the many separate entrances at West. SCC pledges support, and Katherine will reach out to other high school SCCs. She will also keep school security on the agenda to continue the discussion until we get the help we need. Katherine Kennedy asks for a list of safety concerns and possible solutions, and she will ask the SLCSB to consider

them. She will ask for this to be on one of their next two agendas. Discussion includes more ideas about how parents could be involved and the importance of keeping equity and diversity measures in mind.

E. **COVID Response Update** (Jared): District is providing masks, will work to get more. Wi-Fi issues are being addressed. West is nearing Test to Stay protocols, but officials concerned resources might not be available. There also is a near-system failure of staffing. West stands ready to move temporarily to remote education if allowed. Canvas is still the primary learning platform, and laptops have been widely distributed.

V. Reports

A. **IB/ELP:** No report

B. **PTA** (Suzanne): Restaurant fundraiser set for Feb. 3 at Mod Pizza.

C. **Equity and Access:** No report

D. **SIC** (Holly): Government classes working on West High issues, including safety and COVID protocol. Students are concerned about the same thing we are.

E. **Principal:**

1. Report: Nothing further to report.
2. Opportunity for the Community to ask questions and bring forth concerns. Question about mask supply. Jared reports that West received 5,500 KN95 masks, and started passing them out to students in the hallways, classrooms, and the office. School mask supplies also include 9,000 three-ply masks and 12,000 cloth masks.

VIII. Upcoming Events:

January 17: No school MLK Day

January 21: Term 1 ends

IX. **Next Meeting:** February 14, 2022 5:30 p.m. Location TBD
Motion to adjourn; unanimous vote.