KHS Community Council Minutes 8/31/2023

In attendance:

Haylie McQuivey April Riddle Lexie Little Tiffany Unsworth Trevor Stewart Kylie Shepherd Natali Button

Motion to Approve Minutes: Natali Button Second: April Riddle

3 members of the council are up for reelection and are willing serve again. Applications for new members are 9/11.

Homecoming will be over Labor Day Weekend (for the last time). The Holiday weekend is a rough one to hold these festivities.

The Royalty chosen this year are great kids who treat others with kindness, so that is a good sign. Students are honoring the nice kids!

The Hope Squad historically has been chosen in Middle School and serves throughout their secondary years. The process of choosing these members may change, according to who is best suited through the years.

Two counselors, Mr. Dambara and Mrs. Johnson, offer free counseling to students.

The River Trip was a success and was paid for with Trust Land Funds. Mr. Stewart showed a slideshow with photos and details of the trip. Students earned credits in a few disciplines. Rough cost was \$7,000

The currently-serving student council was chosen in a new way. Mr. Walker, the Student Council Advisor, chose to interview candidates and place them in positions according to their talents and interests.

The council attended a leadership conference in July in St. George. They were encouraged to turn their insecurities into strengths, and to "break the board". It was a college credit opportunity for attendees.

The two activities above were examples of spending on kids who need an additional challenge/enrichment, rather than just remediation programs.

We have the largest freshman class we've seen in (?). The student body is made up of 331 students, 93 of them being freshmen. There are two foreign exchange students from Germany this year.

The Utah Tech center is bursting with classes. The Large room accommodates 18. Small rooms accommodate classes with a few students. At times the FACS room is used as overflow for college classes.

The Cosmetology program is going well, with 18-19 students enrolled. There are also 12 students traveling to Cedar City each week to take CTE classes, giving them a trade.

The High School administration (with support from the council) has decided to allow hats to be worn in school. The hat policy will go before the school board. Their decision may affect the District, so there may be a change district-wide, depending on the board's decision.

In 3 years, the AC in the gym will be updated. We got approved for a 3-5 million dollar grant to update the Heating and Cooling system. We will be rid of the coal boiler, which is exciting.

The position that was opened for an assistant to the counselor was not filled yet. Aide positions are available but they are not getting filled. The school is in need of aides. These positions are not full-time, so that may deter applicants. It is yet to be determined how SITLA funds will be best used.

Motion to adjourn: April Riddle Second: Natali Button