

Indian Hills Committee for Parent Involvement (CPI)

General Council Meeting, Thursday February 16, 2023 at 12:00 Noon

Welcome and Introductions – Elizabeth Larson, Suzy Hider, Shannon Crownover, Laura Schieber, , Shane Christensen, Linda Reddy, Andrea Stone, Amanda Lee, Zac Sinram, Joe Tragesser, Laurie White

Secretary's Report – Reviewed – Joe Tragesser moved to approve, Second Amanda Lee, motion approved

Treasurer's Report – \$2,100 income from Fall Fundraiser and season of giving.

Refer to Budget – Fall fundraiser transfer \$23,500.

\$2,252 for Scholarship Fund for both Indian Hills and Stillwell.

End of January balance \$15,044.88.

Reviewed and moved to approve Joe Tragesser, second Andrea Stone, motion approved

Report of the Standing Committees –

Joe – Teacher Appreciation is from May 8 – 12th. May 9, Dr Christensen and Mr. Sinram will take care of lunch.

Fundraising Eat Out – February 24th 5pm – 9pm at Jason's Deli

Made over \$100 on each of the Eat Out fundraising events.

Upcoming Events

- 1. Career Day – Speakers have been reached out to; working on getting a list together
 - a. Reach out to Jennifer**
- 2. 8th Grade Celebration – May 31st and 1pm. Bounce House, DJ, snacks, etc...Contact Laurie White*

New Business

- 1. 2023-2024 Slate – Need a treasurer for CPI for next year; a 2-year slate*

Walk, Run, Roll – 2nd to last day of school.

Dr Christensen putting together calendar for next year.

Dance went off well. Concessions were busy.

Adjourn @ 12:25pm

Upcoming Meetings

April 20, 2023

Parent Body Meeting, Thursday February 16, 2023 at 12:30 PM

Call to order at 12:30 pm

Welcome and Introductions – Introductions of the CPI board (26 attendees)

Dr. Christensen – This week was all about talking to kids about classes for the next school year.

Transition Students from 2023-2024 School Year

- Joe Rich, IH Counselor – On Monday and Tuesday counselors spoke with students regarding classes for next year.
 - Teacher recommendation emails were sent to students. Encourages parents to speak to current teachers regarding advanced classes.
 - Science – advanced science compresses 8th and 9th grade science classes and counts for high school credits. Will impact GPA.
 - Regardless of what students take in 8th grade, they can still do advanced classes in 9th grade.
 - Kids taking Algebra or above and Spanish 1 will have grades counted towards High School GPA.
 - Most colleges require 2 years of World Language to get in.
 - If students want to do 4 years of Spanish before graduation, then they should start in 8th grade. Other foreign language starts in 9th grade.
 - Email Mr. Rich regarding changes to schedule once registration time closes.
 - Videos available for both parents and students.
- TJ Cox, VSW Counselor
 - Google form needs to be filled out by next Tuesday the 24th.
 - Email Mr. Cox regarding changes to schedule after the 24th.

Q & A

- Computer Science Course – to be offered at Indian Hills.
- Can you get a PE exception in 8th grade if students have a full schedule?
 - Yes it is offered. Email Mr. Rich.
- How many periods in 9th grade?
 - 8 period days, Odd days and even Days. 90 minute long classes. Friday is 8 period day.
 - Do they do PE every year? Yes, it is a state requirement in high school. You take it either first semester or 2nd semester. Health is offered the other semester. Online Health is offered when there is enough interest.
 - Online Health – needs to be completed in one semester. It is a self-paced, self-taught class. Students to do it outside of school day. No teacher to do weekly checks.
 - Can do during study hall periods.
 - 2 PE options – traditional PE / Basic Strength and Conditioning - 1 semester class.
 - Strength and Conditioning is offered as an early bird class – twice a week for the whole year 7:15am. Can't do if you are in Marching Band due to conflicting times.
 - PE wavier is rarely offered but possible.
- If you take 4 years of a world language in High School, you don't need to take it in college.
 - Many colleges will have you take a placement exam.
- If student takes Spanish 1 in 8th grade and doesn't do well, can they retake it in 9th grade?
 - If you are getting a C or under, you can take it over in 9th grade. The higher grade will be used for GPA purpose.

- *Debate/Public Speaking Course – What is the requirement?*
 - *You will have to participate in one debate each semester. Most are local. There are outside of school commitment, ie: practice and preparation for debate competition.*
- *New electives at Valley Southwoods?*
 - *New technology wing and culinary arts kitchen*
 - *Culinary arts will be offered to Freshmen, possibly first semester but definitely second semester.*
 - *Technology classes will be offered in second semester.*
 - *Carpentry fundamentals and Introduction to Manufacturing industry to be offered next year – one semester electives.*
- *Indian Hills Q & A – Dr. Shane Christensen and Zac Sinram*
 - *Dance last week went well.*
 - *Plenty of adults present.*
 - *New cause for the profits of dance – Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Central Iowa.*
 - *Workplace mentoring program on Wednesdays with students.*
 - *Portion of money went to this.*
 - *Portion of money to Student Council.*
 - *School is preparing for ISASP and next year schedule.*

Adjourn @ 1:15pm

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