Albion School Community Council September 29, 2016 Agenda and Minutes

1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda

-Call to order by Dr. Hart at 4 pm

-Motion was passed to approve the agenda for today's meeting

-Meeting commenced with introductions of SCC members

Members present: Ballard, Ellingson, Gleason, Hart, Hunter, Kushlan, Minter, Nelson, Oviatt, Simmons, Tatton.

Introduction of School Council Council Membership (Council Membership Report due October 20, 2016)

Member	Email	Role
Ballard, Mio	mioballard@gmail.com	parent
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Minter, Jordan	jordan.minter@canyonsdistrict.org	teacher
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Oviatt, Doug	daloviatt@hotmail.com	parent
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Zito, Richard	rwzitojr@gmail.com	parent

-Membership report: Membership must be published to the public so patrons can contact members directly, this will be published on our school's website.

Election of Officers

-Election of officers: Doug Oviatt volunteers to be the chair, the motion is passed. Mio Ballard volunteers to be the cochair, the motion is passed. Jordan Minter volunteers to be the secretary, the motion is passed unanimously.

3. Bylaws review

-Discussion of Bylaws: Homework for members: review bylaws and bring adjustments to next SCC meeting for consideration and ratification

4. Meeting calendar

September 29	February 9
October 27	March 9
December 15	April 13
January 12	May 11

-February meeting will need to be rescheduled as it's on the day before a day off, we are looking at February 2 as a possibility

-Minutes will be emailed and approved by SCC members and then posted on our website before the next SCC meeting

5. Training

SCC101 is for new members and anyone interested in a refresher course. SCC Training is for all members, including those who have attended SCC101. All training held in PDC at Canyons Administration Building East, 9361 South 300 East (back southeast doors)

September 28	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	SCC 101 SCC Training
October 6	9:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	SCC Training SCC 101 SCC Training
October 26	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	SCC Training SCC Training

-Training: SCC members must attend a training annually, the chair must attend each year, we have 2 parents who have attended the training already; 3 other parents and Dr. Hart will attend an upcoming training.

6. Counseling Report

-Counseling Center Report: we have registered more new students this year than we have in the past, counselors have taught 4 lessons so far, next month they will be teaching 4 lessons in the 8th grade as they gear up for 8th grade Plan for College and Career Readiness appointments, You Go Girl Conference: Cathy Nelson chaperoned 35 8th grade girls who listened to dynamic female speakers working in non-traditional careers. A question was asked about the 8th grade EXPLORE test which is no longer available which means this data will no longer be discussed during these appointments. A question was asked about the UT Scholars program and it was discussed that there have been significant changes to the program this year to separate it from the Regents' Scholarship. Mila Gleason suggested that counselors remind students and parents that the late work policy will be different in HS. We will discuss BHS grading policy at our next meeting

-Questions about late work policy and how we are preparing students for success in high school were discussed. We expect students to turn their work in on-time and encourage them to do so but, we do not punish them academically for late work. A student's citizenship grade is docked for late work. We want students and parents to know exactly how they are doing and effective grading practices helps us do that. A student's citizenship grade is now holding more weight: NJHS, HS sports, parking passes at the high school, but parents are experiencing a huge range of grading policies once they leave Albion. This will be part of an ongoing discussion to find ways to seamlessly transition our students to high school.

7. Old Business

Previous expenditures (Final report: October 20, 2016)

-Cell tower money will be discussed at the next meeting

- Final LandTrust report will be sent to SCC members via email; our land trust budget was spent how it had been allocated. We succeeded in not having any carry-over from last year which is always our goal.

8. New Business

Plans and Budgeting

-Technology is a growing need: our mobile labs are difficult for teachers to schedule as we have a greater need than we can accommodate, there is a need to increase the number of mobile labs available at AMS. SCC has discussed moving to a 1-to-1 where each student has a device to use. We will use the Yearly Schedule at a Glance timeline to create our plan for next year.

CSIP/LandTrust Plan SAGE Report-

-Review of CSIP & SAGE Reports: AMS 2016 SAGE Results were excellent, we performed higher than the state and district. 16% increase in proficiency, 23% increase in student growth, our school grade was an A even after the state re-adjusted and increased the requirement for an A grade. We met our ELA & Science CSIP goals and maintained our math CSIP goal.

Bell Efficiency Study

-SCC was provided presentation from the district, also showed how to access it on Canyons School District BoardDocs. This study is tasked with figuring out how to turn bus driving positions into full-time positions. However, the only way to do this is to adjust many school start and end times at all levels. Our district is having a difficult time hiring bus drivers because it is not a full-time position, no benefits, you're working at both ends of the day. Benefits: Reduced need for drivers, more drivers have full time jobs (includes benefits). Cons: School start and end changes might have time to change. Does not effect Quail Hollow Elementary or Albion much but drastically effects BHS. The SCC is taking this under advisement, and will wait for further information to take a position. Since Albion's times are not drastically affected, there wasn't a need for a strong stance, although strong concerns were raised about changes at the feeder schools (elementary, high) by several members.

9. Final Comments and Adjournment

-Review of topics for discussion at next meeting

-Dr. Hart asked parents for feedback, open-door policy, we are here to do what's best for students and parent input is very important

-Meeting adjourned