

# South Sevier High School

## Community Council Agenda

February 9th, 2026

3:30 p.m.

### **Attendance:**

Stuart Hepworth

Amy Robinson

Halee Johnson

Ben Bagley

Chelsee Alvey

Barb Larsen

Joelle Eyre

Lance Roberts

Stacey Shakespear

Mike Shaver

Casey Dyreng

### **Welcome Barb Larsen**

- Proposed that we accept October meeting minutes. Ben Bagley seconded. Approved.

### **Minutes**

#### **Counselors Corner**

1. UHED Junior College Tour Feb 10
  - a. colleges in Utah will visit all juniors at RHS. They will be gone all day.
2. 79 pathways completed
  - a. Almost all seniors have earned a pathway, meaning they have completed 3 credits in a career and technical education track.
3. ACT March 10
  - a. All juniors. No other students will be in school that day.
4. Seniors- scholarships will be flooding their email- please help spread the word: emails, school binder, announcements.
  - a. Counselor asked parents to have their students check their emails.

#### **Council Items: Mr. Hepworth shared.**

**-Mr. Hepworth shared a message from Davis School District superintendent on Utah's literacy efforts. Utah is said to be underperforming in literacy, but if we look at data, this is not true. The statistics were compared to Mississippi, who have improved their literacy programs. When we look at data, Mississippi has caught up to Utah. Utah is in the top 10 in elementary literacy. We spend less money per student. Our programs are frugal and effective.**

**-Scores for SSSH have improved overall. Reading and science have dropped, but efforts are being made for interventions. Grad rates are at 97%, above our goals. Attendance is improving and F reports look good, especially compared to other schools in the district.**

**-Teachers shared about attendance interventions and how effective they are.**

**-Discussed lunch detention intervention. Less than 5 kids are put in per day. It is working!**

1. Discuss trustlands plan. Vote on 2026-27 plan next meeting. Please be present to vote.

**-Plan was presented. We are focusing on improving academic achievement in core classes. Trust funds=\$94,000. This is used for salaries for teachers and aides. We will vote on the plan next month.**

**-We are implementing ACT prep classes to increase scores and eliminating other study halls that aren't being used.**

**-We are introducing several new courses to offer variety.**

2. 2024-2025 plan has been finalized with the state
3. Staffing meeting information: Staffing meeting tomorrow

**-enrollment numbers are dropping and this affects teachers' jobs. Online and homeschool numbers impact these enrollment numbers. Mr. Hepworth explained SEATS, which is an online hybrid option because a council member asked about it. The council discussed problems with online schooling. It is useful for medical and mental health issues.**

4. Booster club information: Need to get letters out to all clubs/activities

**-Funds will be dispersed to those that apply. The Council will decide how we give that money out next month.**

## **What has happened**

**-Mrs. Robinson shared-Athletic trainers will be hired by IHC for all the high schools. The district will pay some of their salaries and for supplies. They will be at all home varsity games and will travel some.**

1. State Cheer has ended. Congrats to cheerleaders and coaches

**-There have been complaints that Cheer does not travel. Mr. Hepworth explained why. There are state limits on practice and participation time (20 hours per week). We are also worried about kids getting burned out because they have early morning practice for competitions. Another factor is travel costs. The school has over spent on travel by \$14-18,000 dollars in the last two years. The budget is being restructured to help fix this.**

2. State Drill 1st place overall! Way to go girls!

**-Barb shared about this**

3. Boys Wrestling is over. Girls Wrestling has State this Saturday @ SVC

**-Barb shared about this. The Girls' team is growing.**

## **Looking Forward**

- a. CTE week Feb. 9-12 (Used to be the FFA week)

**Barb shared about activities**

- b. State Basketball (boys and girls) Feb. 23-25

**At UVU**

- c. Parent/Teacher conference February 26th 5:30-7:00
- d. Spring sports begin Feb 23rd
- e. Jr Prom protocols and regulations letter  
**Kids will be able to go to prom with a student outside of our school if they fill this out.**
- f. Jr Prom is March 7th
  - Council discussed new track coaches. Council will help spread the word that we are looking for a male assistant.**
  - Council discussed problems with hotels raising their prices during state activity times. Schools are unable to come and stay in town anymore.**

## **Questions or Concerns**

Next Meeting March 16th 3:30 (3rd Monday) We vote on the new plan and disperse the booster club money. We would like a full council to vote. Thanks

**-Motion to adjourn by Barb. Seconded by Stacie.**