

South Sevier High School Community Council Agenda September 22, 2025 3:30 PM

Welcome:

1. Introductions. Name, where you live, how are you connected with school?
 - a. Principal Hepworth welcomed and introduced everyone.

Counselor Corner: Welcome Halee Johnson :)

1. Senior CCR's. FAFSA Night coming up.
2. Real Rams Shirts (HS, Middle)
 - a. Mrs. Johnson explained what is being done in the counseling program and what is coming up.
 - b. If students need school t-shirts, they can come get one. They were handed out to everyone.

Council Items:

1. Training Video https://youtu.be/s5nrcZtB_DY?si=SfsMgc6YJ1Ekz9TN
 - Council viewed video together.
 - i. Purpose of Community Council: collaboration with parents, employees, and principal. Council is a forum for parents to be involved. We identify academic needs and develop interventions.
 - ii. The council is parent focused.
 - Other counselor members are elected, besides the principal. Principal Hepworth explained members aren't elected here. Ballots are rarely returned, so members are appointed instead. We would have a vote if more parents want to join than there are spots available.
 - Council has a 2 parent majority. Parents serve for 2 year terms.
 - Elect the chair leads the meeting
 - The council: 1. Reviews data to identify academic needs. 2. Reviews student success plan. 3. Reviews Trust Land Plan. 4. Reviews school safety.
 - Councils make recommendations to school board
 - School website-must have notice of time, date, and place of meeting, minutes of last meeting, and contact info for members.

- Went over rules of expenditures
 - Everything we do should be student focused!!
2. Discussion of CC responsibilities.
 - Mr. Hepworth presented Trust Land Plan for 2025-26
 - All funds are used in teacher salaries. Not many changes are made. If we made changes, we would lose teachers and programs. Instructional assistants are paid out of Trust Land money.
 - The council discusses Booster Club funds and how to use those.
 3. School website to see required information
 4. Committee Members to elect Chair/Vice Chair
 5. Rules of Order - Mr. Bagley
 - Electing Chair/vice chair-someone nominates a parent, someone seconds, and then we vote
 - Rules and expectations: One person talks at a time. Stay on agenda.
 6. Booster Club Information
 - Committee is new. It is running smoothly. Sponsorships and events have raised funds. Halloween carnival is coming up.
 7. School Land Trust - Goals being met- ACT results Mrs. Robinson
 - Went over 2024 state comparison.
 - Goal: scores should be the same or above state averages. Growth has been shown. Instructional assistants have helped. Failing grades have gone down and attendance has increased.
 8. Binderly introduction: What is it? How does it work?
 - Our community has given negative feedback to Binderly compared to other places in the district. Mr. Hepworth thinks if we use it more, parents will use it more and be happier with it. He explained the benefits of using it.
 9. Live stream link: check schoolbinder to get the link.

What has happened:

 1. Homecoming Week was very successful! Thank you to all that helped with this. It really was a great environment!
 - a. Remodel is getting close. The floor was water damaged and needs to be repaired. Will be done by basketball season.

Looking Forward:

 1. Strategic ACT Date: November 6 (grades 9,10 and 11) special schedule
 - a. Practice ACT. Will be changed to November 5.

2. Parent/Teacher conference October 15, 2024 - face to face 5:30-7pm.
Teachers will be in their classrooms.
 - a. Teachers will reach out to parents.

Questions or Concerns:

- Discussed improvements to school
 - Rug is new. Display of student spotlights. We are trying to create positivity. 8 students will be highlighted every month. Positive reinforcements are being put in place instead of punishments. 100% attendance awards are being given to classes. 4.0 rewards.
 - On Wednesday, 10 parents are invited so that administration can present school vision and get feedback from them. 10 parents will be invited every month.

Next Meeting:

October 13th, 2025 @ 3:30pm