

Central Parent Council Minutes

Thursday, 3/13/2025

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Call to Order, Chair Report**
Chair, Erin Rechler
Meeting called to order at 9:05 AM.
3. **Special Topics (moved up in agenda based on speaker availability)**
 - **Ms. Harmon and Dr. Schimpf - Presentation on the transition of the Jr/Sr HS**
 - **Transition information:**
 - Representatives attended 6th grade classrooms last week to present about the transition to the Jr HS. Showed a video of what the school looks like (locker, transition between periods, cafeteria)
 - School will also have a parent night as well to review the dangers of Social Media and information about the transition to Jr HS. The students will receive the presentation in October of their 7th grade year.
 - Teachers will promote independence and teach the kids to advocate for themselves.
 - Students are in the Junior High wing of the school unless it's the science
 - PE classes are scheduled within 2-3 years of grade levels.
 - Working with SIT team to create a mentorship program with upper classman and JH.
 - Sports there are 4 seasons for JH sports which typically start at 3 PM so there is time after school to do extra help.
 - There is leveled planning with 6th grade and 7th grade to see where there are gaps with the transitions between grades.
 - 6th grade students will be exposed to Canvas in April to allow them to get used to how its used at the Jr/Sr HS.
 - In 2025/26 year they will be using Canvas in 6th grade year.
 - **Action item:** Have school send information to 6th grade parents about clubs and sports available for JH students.
 - **Events:**
 - In June kids will receive a tour of Jr/Sr HS to see the building.
 - Unity Event in June will bring the 6th graders together to bring LH, WSS and 7th graders together. Date will be changed from district calendar.
 - Last week of August have an orientation and BBQ where kids get the schedules and meet peer mentors to review schedule and get lockers and Chromebooks. The building will be left open to allow kids to be able to try their lockers.
 - **Special Education:**
 - With special education students for 6th graders with IEP or 504. The Special Ed department communicates with elementary and the Jr HS staff to look at the needs of the children. They also have school psychologist available to determine if there are social/emotional needs. Students are invited to participate in IEP meeting from grade 4th on. For guided study and resource room they are looking at executive functioning skills. Looking to add a 15-1 or co-teaching to have 2 sections that will promote small group.

- **Managing transition to JH / HS:**
 - Parent brought up issue asking if the district look at bringing down the use of the agenda and teaching kids in 5/6 grade executive functioning skills. District is in process of looking at restructuring the scheduling for elementary level to possibly address adding executive functioning. There are challenges due to state requirements and fitting in required things including ELA, Music, Art, PE, ect...
 - Importance of talking with the kids about their grades on their portal and having a conversation with them more like "Tell me....".
 - Use of tutors at the HS level. Need to understand is tutor working to help kids with their homework or understand a concept. Need to understand the why. The school offers review sessions for courses.

4. **Approval of Minutes from 2/13/25 CPC Meeting**

CPC Secretary, Nicole Prizzi

Elissa Rossi moved to approve the 2/13/25 minutes, and Mandy Dahl seconded.

5. **Status & Resolution Report**

CPC Vice Chair, Cristen Blundell

- **Bus issue:** Combined buses when there was a driver who called out or for various other reasons including driver shortage. District is working with bus company to get more information out to parents about delay timing and if combination of buses with more advance notice.

6. **Treasury Report**

Treasurer, Sarah Comneck

- Missing a couple of PTG CPC dues. Currently received 3.
- \$2,028.84 current balance

7. **Parent Group Updates**

- For events happening in the PAC there is a video option now available.
 - Organizations need to request in the building use form if they want event recorded.
 - Video can be distributed to parents. There may be restrictions on recording (i.e. b/c of music rights). Students / staff must be made available to do recording.
- Each school organization gave an update on past and upcoming events.
 - Goosehill Primary School (GHPTG) – moved up application deadline, please see communications.
 - Lloyd Harbor School (LHSPTG)
 - West Side School (WSSPTG) - 2 positions available, adding 1 position.
 - CSH Junior/Senior High School (CSHPTG) - 4 positions available
 - Special Education Parent Teacher Organization (SEPTO) – will have donation opportunity available for Staff Appreciation lunch.
 - Families of the Community United with Schools (FOCUS)
 - Cultural Arts Committee (CAC)
 - Arts Booster Club (ABC) - 2 positions available - president and treasurer positions
 - CSH Educational Foundation
 - Seahawks Booster

8. **Parent Questions/New Business**

- Notification that CSH District had 4 National Merritt Finalists (of 16K in entire nation).

9. Important Dates to Remember

- Next Board of Education meeting: April 8
- Next CPC meeting: April 10

10. Meeting Adjournment

- Elissa Rossi and Shannon Quinn called for adjournment. Erin adjourned the meeting at 11:01 AM.