**SCC Meeting Minutes**

**April 7, 2014**

**PRHS Library**

Present: Ryan Amtmann, Mikala Ash, Judi D’Aleo, Will Gunn, Emelia Fleck, Julie Fogarty, Devin Guild, Jenna Morrison, Barbra Noyes, Bruce Parsons, Bob Price, Deborah Brownstein, Hannah Karp, Dawn Day, Doug Ross, Nevan Hester, Kelsie Lewis, Bobby Kretz, Stephen Buttolph, Andrew Buttolph, Donnie Hughes

* Ryan Amtmann called meeting to order 5:15 p.m
* Introductions
* March minutes were accepted
* Overview of our last meeting
* Ryan asked for feedback from constituents concerning priorities and content within advisory
* Tools for school and learning
* Moving towards high school, college, career
* Not discounting students who are taking an alternative path post graduation
* School citizenship and orientation
* Goal setting, assessment and self reflection
* Receiving effective feedback as colleagues, peers and students
* Community building
* Independent, responsible learner guidance
* Not ‘losing’ the at risk students
* Creating a connection for every student in the school community
* Making real-world connections
* 21st Century learning expectations
* Advisory needs to be presented to constituents, students and faculty using positive language such as ‘life skills’ and ‘collaboration’ to promote change
* The SCC will propose focus areas for Advisory Coaches/committee
* There will be an evaluation process
* The SCC will present their proposal to the School Board in June, 2014
* If the proposal is passed, professional development, creating a curriculum, training for coaches, and forming a committee of students, faculty and parents will occur
* Changes will be made throughout the school year 2014-2015 and be fully implemented for the 2015-2016 school year
* Scheduling
* Current bell schedule was handed out along with a examples of other school’s Academic Advisory schedules
* At this time 5 minutes are taken out of each class with the exception of 3rd block (lunch block) which loses 15 minutes
* How long will advisory session be?
* How frequently will advisory meet?
* Currently advisory meets for one 30 minute session, once a month (3.5 hours a year)
* With the 30 minute schedule in place, advisory could meet more frequently throughout the year
* Once a week for a half an hour during the same day of the week for consistency and creating stronger relationships and sense of community
* Bruce Parsons suggested that initially advisory meet twice a month during the first year to help the school community acclimate to the changes, providing flexibility and giving the opportunity to evaluate what works.
* The largest challenge will be creating a quality program that will be well received by the majority of the school community
* Bruce suggested that SCC member (2 teachers, 1 parent and 1 student) go to other schools for professional development to observe and develop a program for PRHS’s advisory program
* A program needs to be developed that teachers are comfortable with while accommodating students needs
* It was decided that advisory will meet twice a month and be reviewed by a committee of students, faculty and parents
* A solid mission statement must be agreed upon
* Ryan asked the committee to think about ‘accountability’
* Accountability associated with Advisory for active participation?
* Grade
* Credit
* Community development
* Ryan asked the committee to think about topics for consideration for advisory

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm

Our next meeting will be held on Monday, May 5th, at 5:15pm in the PRHS Library