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DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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January 30, 2018
6:30 p.m.

Welcome and Introductions – Terry Bawden, Board President

Members of District Community Council(DCC), administration, and visitors in attendance were:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Network/Position</u>
Terry Bawden	Board President
Connie Anderson	Board Vice President
Martin Bates	Superintendent
Dave Garrett	Business Administrator/Treasurer
John Welburn	Asst. Superintendent
Rick Anthony	Asst. Superintendent
Linda Mariotti	Asst. Superintendent
Don Adams	Asst. Superintendent
Doug Larson	Director, Policy & Legal Services
Ben Horsley	Director, Communications
Ian Collison	Region 5 PTA President
Clarke Nelson	Cottonwood Network
Daniel Burton	Cottonwood Network
Aaron Weight	Cyprus Network
Marie Roe	Cyprus Network
Andrea Lindsey	Granger Network
Marni Allred	Hunter Network
Christie Rasmussen	Hunter Network
Mike Edwards	Kearns Network
Valerie Pingree	Olympus Network
Julie Jackson	Olympus Network
Oliver Schreiber	

Bond Vote Analysis

Ben Horsley thanked everyone for their help with the Bond election. He handed out a paper that showed the voter participation and support by Network. This paper shows how many registered voters are in each network, how many turned out to vote, what the percentage was for and against. He also handed out a “heat map” of all of GSD Networks, and a voting breakdown for all precincts. He explained the colors on the heat map: Dark red being highest percentage vote for the bond (65% plus), red is 50% plus, blue is less than 50%, and dark blue was low. White precincts show no registered voters. The two highest performing precincts were around Skyline and Olympus.

He explained that an initial survey was conducted by Y2 Analytics in the Spring of last year. This survey showed that 62% of those polled would vote in favor of the bond. Y2 Analytics gave us a breakdown of who was most likely to support the bond, based on demographics, race, sex, religious affiliation, age, income, etc. This breakdown helped us understand not just who votes, but where our support was. We used this information going forward to focus our energies.

Bond Next Steps

Ben showed a website about the next steps to be taken with the bond and referred everyone to another handout which was the Time Line – Phase One. The GSD Future website is now a general capital update website. The time line content is still there, but we have added new information. Every month we will have an update showing videos, breakdown of the numbers, etc. Don Adams spoke on the time line; Phase one is well underway on the two high schools, but it is a two-year planning process and approximately a two year build. We don’t want to rush this. We need to pace ourselves, make sure we are doing everything right for the voters who supported us, and our children. Two elementary schools are also in phase one. Their designers will be picked this month, and that choice will be brought to the Board in late February. The additional wing on Hunter High School will follow right behind those two with groundbreaking hopefully by the end of this year. It should take approximately 12-14 months. Remodels are easier and we should get to them during the summer.

Online Learning

Linda Mariotti spoke on exciting news concerning our online learning program. Stephanie Wood has been appointed the Associate Director of On-line Learning. Students have previously been able to take online courses through Connection High, this service has been available for years. But this move that we are making will take on-line learning to a new level. Stephanie will start on February 1, and will work with Curriculum Specialists to create a new format for on-line courses. Students will be able to take an assessment test at the beginning of the course, and focus on modules that they still need to learn. They will then take another assessment test and get the credit. We are now in the process of trying to recruit teachers within our schools to

back these classes, which will begin in June. Students will be able to go through their own high schools and counselors instead of Connection High.

In addition, modulized courses will be pushed out for high school credit recovery. Teachers can help students get signed up for courses that they need. Ultimately, the goal is to have just about every course available on-line. We are going to be working closely with the Curriculum dept., high schools, and counselors as we roll this out. Concerns were voiced about both students who are go-getters overloading their schedules, and for students who may not have access to a computer at home. We hope to address both of those situations as we go along, with working through counselors for registering for these courses, and making sure that the courses are available on all kinds of devices (hand held).

SafeUT

Some questions were asked during the last meeting about suicide prevention in schools, so we would like to re-address the SafeUT App. The SafeUT app is a statewide initiative that was passed by the Legislature several years ago. This is just one more tool for us to use in helping students in crisis. We still have buddy boxes in schools, take anonymous call-ins, and students are always encouraged to talk to an adult at the school.

Ben Horsley handed out a flyer showing information about SafeUT and put his phone screen on the TV so members could see what the app looks like on the students phone. He walked them through how a student would submit a tip, and what the student would see. They can send a tip, or chat with a counselor. Our district police department is available 24 hours a day if something needs immediate attention. He noted that changes are on-going with this app, and that we are very close to rolling this out to elementary schools. All schools should have the link to the app on their website. Granite School District is averaging about 2 or 3 tips a day.

Member Concerns/next meeting agenda items

1. Calendaring challenges/complaints
2. MTSS Bright Spots
3. Elementary Report Cards

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 27, 2018