

# PHS School Community Council

October 5, 2017 – 6:00PM

**In Attendance:** Shane Owens, Vivian Shepherd, Lisa Tayler, Sherry Wiltbank (District Committee Council), Ashley Billingham (Presenter), Ellen Slovacek, Justin Keetch & April Hemphill (Secretary)

- **Appointment/Installation of New Members**

- Justin Keetch welcomed all in attendance, called the meeting to order and introductions were made around the room.
- New members of the council who are participating for the 1<sup>st</sup> time are:
  - Parent Members: Shane Owens, Lisa Taylor, Geoff Gregson (excused)
  - Employee Members: Ellen Slovacek

- **Election of Council Chair**

- It was proposed that Vivian Shepherd be re-elected as Council Chair & that Shane Owens be elected as Vice Chair. The motions were seconded and unanimously voted in favor.
- Council Chair – Vivian Shepherd
- Council Vice Chair – Shane Owens

- **Review 2017-18 Plan**

- Reviewed the purpose & responsibilities of the SCC.
- Reviewed the goal of the 2016-17 SCC for the 2017-18 year, which is to reduce failing grades @ PHS by 10%.
- Justin Keetch explained how Land Trust Funds are generated and how our school benefits from the allocated dollars.
- Action plan steps reviewed
- Resolution program discussed. The comment was made that most kids who go through the resolution process after receiving a “blue card” don’t get a yellow or blue card again.
- Ellen shared how the new reading program “Newsela” works. There was a lot of excitement for how this will benefit students in multiple subjects.

- **Finalize Meeting Calendar**

- It was proposed that SCC meetings will fall on Parent/Teacher Conference nights. The motion was seconded and unanimously agreed upon.
- The upcoming meetings for the 2017-18 school year are scheduled as follows:
  - 12/7/17
  - 2/22/18
  - 5/3/18 (tentative)
- All meetings will be held at 6:00PM

- **Comprehensive Guidance Update**

- Ashley reviewed the ROOT Values program. They have designed 2 separate tracks planned so they can be alternated each year and students won’t have a repeat of the lessons/activities each year. Ashley also mentioned that they will be focusing on career planning activities including skilled/trades careers.

- **Items from Council Members**

- Council members did not have any concerns to bring up at this time.

- **Adjourn**