Shawnee Heights U.S.D. #450  
District Advisory Council  
Minutes of Meeting  
February 11, 2019

Those present were:
  Dr. Martin Stessman  Bryce Leidtke  Kristy Hanshaw  
  Rebecca Greer  Janet Van Nort  Leslie Florence  
  Rocky Busenitz  Brenda Holladay  Kristin Fisher  
  Tamara Edington  Jennifer Forshee-Weichert  Jeannie Gish  
  Annie Harris  Rebecca Gray  

1. **Call to Order**  
The meeting was called to order by Kristin Fisher

2. **Adoption of the Agenda**  
Tamara Edington moved to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Jennifer Forshee-Weichert, motion carried 13-0.

3. **Approve Minutes of January 14, 2019, Meeting**  
Brenda Holladay moved to approve the Minutes of the January 14, 2019, District Advisory Council Meeting as presented. Seconded by Tamara Edington, motion carried 13-0.

4. **Communications and Announcements**  
None.

5. **Site Council and PTO Reports**  
Rebecca Gray – Tecumseh North PTO  
No Report.

  **Tamara Edington – High School Site Council**  
The High School Site Council reviewed the Kansas Vision for Education and Student Motivation and discussed how they would like it to coincide with the High School. The Site Council is polling students and teachers on how to reward student accomplishments. Three anonymous teachers observe other students and acknowledge their good deeds to their parents. Those three teachers will choose three other teachers each month to quietly observe students.

  **Jennifer Forshee-Weichert – Shawnee Heights Elementary PTO**  
Two students have advanced to the Shawnee County Spelling Bee. The PTO is selling “Smencils” as a fundraiser. The On-Demand writing is concluding. The Building Leadership Team is sponsoring a 3rd quarter assembly. The Book Fair be the week of February 18th. The spaghetti dinner along with a talent show was well attended. The family dance had a great turnout as well.

  **Bryce Liedtke and Annie Harris – Shawnee Heights High School STUCO**  
The Jr. Civitans are sponsoring Valentine Grams for February 14th.

  **Brenda Holladay – Berryton Elementary PTO & Site Council**  
Berryton’s PTO meets February 12th.  
No report for Berryton’s Site Council.

  **Leslie Florence – Tecumseh South Site Council**  
No report.

  **Kristy Hanshaw – Tecumseh North Site Council**  
No report.
5. Site Council and PTO Reports (cont.)
   Kristin Fisher – Tecumseh South PTO
   The Tecumseh South PTO sponsored a family dance with $1.00 for admittance or a donation of canned goods to be donated to the SHHS care closet. There was a DJ and light show and approximately $500 was collected. March 7th will be Bingo night where everything is $1.00.

   Janet VanNort – Shawnee Heights Education Association
   Representatives from SHEA attended a “Chat and Chili Night” with Kansas Legislators. The SHEA Negotiating Team will be attending a bargaining workshop and SHEA reps will meet Thursday, February 14th, to discuss what items to negotiate.

6. Kids Who Use Tech Discussion
   The District Advisory Council members discussed an article on the research regarding technology and teens which was emailed before the meeting. Members discussed what they took away from the article and what they discovered as interesting. The conclusion was that 1-2 hours of technology daily and more on the weekends is not harmful.

7. Rocky Busenitz – Board of Education
   The Board of Education recently approved the hiring of an Elementary Curriculum Director (Stacey Giebler) and a Secondary Curriculum Director (Stacey Bell). The Board also reviewed the negative meal balance policy and the fact that some patrons anonymously pay negative balances. Summer Drivers Education was approved as well as an agreement with GraceMed to provide dental services to all schools.

8. Dr. Martin Stessman - Superintendent
   Dr. Stessman reminded DAC members he may ask them to contact their legislators about education bills making their way through the legislature. The House K-12 Budget Committee is currently debating a “bullying bill” which is actually a bill extending scholarships for students attending public schools who wish to go to a private school if they have ever filed a bullying report. Also being introduced is House Bill 2166 which requires students to pass a personal finance course as a graduation requirement. It would start with the 2020 graduating class and this would mean Shawnee Heights would lose either lose 9 business electives or be forced to hire an additional teacher.

9. Becky Greer – Curriculum Director
   • ELA Curriculum
     Mrs. Greer reviewed the ELA Curriculum and how it ties in with Social Studies Standards. Currently, the ELA review committee is reviewing Social Studies materials where they teach literacy through content. Mrs. Greer distributed Kids Discover Magazines which was part of the concept. This strategy may or may not be adopted.

10. Open Forum (Members – Questions, Comments, Concerns)
    None.

11. Adjournment
    Tamara Edington moved the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Jennifer Forshee-Weichert, motion carried 13-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 P.M.

The next meeting for the District Advisory Council will be Monday, March 18, 2019.