

School Site Council Meeting 2/7/2011

Members in attendance:

Christy Adams- Student
Connie Spears -Parent
Jeanie Thompson- parent/Classified staff
Stacy Barker- Parent/ Classified Staff
Jamie Davis- Teacher
Dave Clarkson- Classified Staff/ Community Member
Bryon Hanson- Principal

Discussion over possible Galena High School Student Handbook changes:

Dress Code- The council would like to see some relaxing regarding hair color, but they were adamantly in favor of leaving the rule regarding piercings in place. They believed the rest of the dress code was appropriate.

Cell Phones- The council would like to see the school educate students regarding using cell phones as a tool and the proper time to use or not use a cell phone. They were in favor of not making the parents pick up cell phones after a violation. They agreed that this is a possible safety issue.

Weighting of classes- The council was in favor of adding academic weighting to certain upper level classes or regular classes when students do extra high level work.

Addition or Deletion of Classes:

The council would like to see Galena High School add some class options for the students. They understand that there are budgetary constraints. We discussed possible classes that could be added including a personal finance and business classes, construction trades, and World Affairs. The council was especially excited about the addition of more vocational options.

Core Standards:

The new Core Standards were explained to the council as well as how these standards would affect what our students would be expected to learn. There was some concern regarding students who would struggle to reach the new standards, especially in math, and what services the school would be able to offer students who struggle. They liked the fact that all states will be compared using the same assessment tool.

