

NUAMES COMMUNITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES

Council Mtg Date: 01-12-2012

Location: NUAMES, Portable N12

Members Present: Bill Sholler, Debbi Smith, Vinton Smith, Laurie Larson, Brett Barson, Dave Dau, Alan Stokes, Bryan Rudes, Deb Hefner, student Kaylee Barson, student Kimberly Sholler

Members Excused:

Dale Olpin, Tatiana Nikolaev

SBO's Student Reps: Alex Bingham, Jadie Ward

The meeting called to order by Bill Sholler at 5:00 pm

1. **Reading and Approval of Minutes** (5 minutes allotted)
 - Meeting minutes approved by the council for the month of December
 - email to webmaster nuames@frogtummy.com

1. **Robotics presentation by Kaylee Barson, NUAMES robotics team captain and Alex Bingham, PR captain**

Chair – Community Council

- Upcoming teacher appreciation lunch on March 2nd. Plan on having a potato bar, will follow up with food assignments at next meeting.
- Discussed generally the 2010/2011 final report. New members did not receive copy of report, but will at next meeting.
- Calculators have been purchased by Tatiana for roughly 13.00 ea.
- Eye clickers have not been followed up on by staff due to holiday break. Will follow up on at February meeting.
- Smart Boards were researched and the council approved a purchase amount of up to \$2500.00 if the board donated by Tatiana does not meet the specifications requested by the teacher. Cory Bennett was selected as the teacher to receive this equipment.
- Dave Dau researched the need for new laptops for staff to replace aging fleet. NUMAMES has purchased several units and is doing a test on if they work or not. Tabled until February meeting.
- Status of NUAMES move to new email provider. NUAMES will be delaying the move to a new provider and chose to stay with Davis School Districts system. Parents and students

should not see any change. Scheduled to deploy in February.

- Status of NUAMES website. There are still issues with the listing of council members on the site, several links are still down. Debbie Smith will review emails and get list of changes and updates to Deb Hefner who will follow up with frogtummy on links and boards, supporter logos, AYP, partner websites etc. Basically check for dead links and fix so the site is usable. Brett will begin emailing meeting minutes to frogtummy for posting.
- Forms and Paypal links for Parent and community use. It is still unclear how Paypal donations work. NUAMES administration does not know if there is already an account set up for the school. Vinton offered to check into the Paypal details and if it can be set up to effectively work for the School. He will present his findings in February.

Council Reports

Student Body Officers Update:

- Valentines Dance on the 4th of February, Retreat for SBOs on 20th and 21st.

SCC Treasurer's report (Deb Hefner):

- There are still significant funds available to the council, 15,844.00 before tonight's approved expenditure of 2500.00. Online charter High schools were discussed by Dave Dau and challenges associated with integrating that model with charter schools. NUAMES would be facing costs of 34,000.00 or more to accommodate demand for online high school offerings. 10 students are already allowed to use online curriculum using the K12 system at a cost of 2,000.00 per month under a subscription plan. Math improvement money could be used to expand this if the council would be interested in considering it. The administration will look into current utilization trends and see if there is a need to expand the number of slots and report in February.

Administration Update (Alan Stokes):

- NUAMES has up to this point been somewhat lax in enforcing policies related to keeping grades at a certain level in order to maintain scholarships. Administrations focus going forward is to enforce existing policies starting 2nd semester and ensure that students who fall below the minimum academic threshold. This would require that the parents repay the amount paid for that student to attend classes at Weber State in order to recoup money paid. Weber State does not issue credits or refunds to NUAMES for students who drop classes, which is a significant loss of funds. Notices will go out in January to all parents and students to reinforce their understanding of the policy.

School Board Update (Gayle Stucki)

- No update

Around the Room/New Business to address:

- Deb Hefner expressed appreciation for everyone's support after her husband's passing.
- Bryan Rudes expressed thanks for all the support from the community for the robotics program.
- Alex Bingham asked that there might be an opportunity to increase the school's exposure by getting Student Body Officers out to events like First and TSA etc. It would make a big difference to have that awareness out there.
- Alan Stokes – Glad to have Deb back! Construction is starting soon on the new school, get the word out because NUAMES is a great place to attend!
- Brett Barson – please let me know if there are changes to spellings, processes etc. Include Laurie Drake in email chain so she can get SBO's to attend. lodrake@nuames.com.
- Laurie Larsen – No new business
- Vinton Smith – follow up with Dave Dau on moving over to the States SSID system from last month's discussion. Dave Dau explained that NUAMES will be moving over to Weber States system Fall of 2013 when they move into the new building.
- Debbie Smith – excited about this year's robotics program and the excitement building around it.

Motion to Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 6:28 pm.