

# Meeting Minutes: 2014-01-16

By Emeric Delton on Thursday, January 16, 2014 at 9:04pm

## ATTENDANCE

Bill Sholler (Chair), Ted Griffiths (new Vice Chair), Laurie Larson (School board), Alan Stokes (Principal), Dave Dau (Asst Principal), Zach (SBO), Julie Griffiths, Brian Moore Karl Dumas, Pam Schaneveldt, Emeric Delton (Secretary)

## Student capstone projects discussion

Clarification: Printer funding was not to student, but rather to Mr. Rudes program. Funding should go towards teacher/class efforts and should benefit all students.

## Adobe Photoshop

Mr. Dau will assign new Weber State liaison to pursue use of WSU licensing

## SBO (Zach)

- Cotillion Dance was an outstanding success and profitable.
- 1920s dance: positive reviews. Had new DJ. Too early to say but assuming dance broke even or was close to
- Next dance: Valentine's day by Sophomore officers. No details yet.
- Study Habits videos: Only a couple segments released so far. Have been filming extra footage over last few weeks. Have seen a few requests for help based on videos.

## Mr. Stokes

Today was lottery day: 375 applicants for 250 seats for next year. Most people attended and a number were distraught for not getting selected.

Expansion: Will hire new teachers but will lose some of the portable units next year. May have some afternoon classes on Ogden campus. Northrop Grumman building might be a target in fall of 2015 when they move out.

## Laurie

No update since school board is next week.

Looking to write letter to legislature about NUAMES' success and need to replicate effort.

- Mr. Stokes: Other 6 early college high schools are organizing (Early College Alliance) as they feel they have little representation. This is a money saving operation for state due to compression. Also, NUAMES uses its state allocation (WPU) for academics vs. sports as traditional schools might do. NUAMES also has no transportation budget.

## New Business

**Dave Dau:**

Charter school stats: typically not any better than traditional school. only exceptions are early college high schools.

**Ted:**

About ACT statistics

- Mr. Stokes: no solid indicator of success yet. Need more time to determine. Looking to reduce test length to avoid burnout from student population.
- Zach: Some students don't feel they need ACT practice test. Would like to see all take ACT placement to avoid the end of school 'wake up call' which comes too late.
- Mr. Dau: ACT is used to see if students can qualify for early college classes. Current Sophomore classes are not up to par this year. Looking to change student support. Special Ed program has increased 1000% as a result.
- PAM: would like to hear board feedback on better student support.
- Zach: some kids are here because of parents and not of their own will. Problem will increase alongside school popularity.
- Mr. Stokes: Will continue to run study skills classes. Looking at re-implementing math lab for all classes as well. Meeting with all D&F students at end of term to discuss issues. May require them to switch their elected classes to study skills classes instead. Also planning on a Sophomore conference to outline expectations, teach study skills and work ethics which seem to be a sizable problem this year. Will run conference twice a year.

**Pam**

About Vandalism

- Mr. Stokes: found chair damage in form of cuts or ripped material. appears to be cut by knife. Unable to determine if done by high school or college student or even as a result of unpacking.

**Mr. Stokes**

Possibility of shuttle from Clearfield frontrunner station to school