



Pine View Middle School

Community Council Meeting Tuesday, February 25, 2025 2:00 PM

1. **Welcome-** Brett Gifford

Members:

Cami Boudwin	Parent
Sara Duffin	Parent
Christina Herron	Parent
Sarah Green	Parent
Elissa Liddle	Parent
Cyndi Cheney	School Employee
Brett Gifford	Principal

2. **Agenda Items:**

- Technology Spending (\$20,000- \$7,000 used from Trustland) follow up- Spent the money on chromebooks with cameras/touch screens. Circulated into Science classes for labs and testing.
These were able to be purchased quickly and are in use.
- STL Budget 2025-2026
 - i) **Increase student academic growth and proficiency in all state assessed areas.** Increase MGP to 65 % or higher in core subjects (Ours was 70.8 percent.)
 - ii) Action Plan- Fund a full time Language Arts Teacher (\$85,39.77); this will change from funding science this year
 - iii) **Increase growth of students that are At-Risk of not achieving proficiency.**
 - iv) Action Plan- Fund an extra duty assignment to core teachers in Math, Language Arts, and Science for working with students during their homeroom/lunch periods on assignments and re-teaching for assessments (\$6,000.00) This is the PAWS program that is currently in place.

v) **Update technology in Math, Science, and Language Arts**
classrooms (\$26,764.13)

- Signatures from council for participation 2025-2026
- Prevention Plan- Mrs. Rogers (Counselor)
- Testing Schedule and Incentives

Testing April 14th-17th; a special schedule will accommodate that testing
-state testing can be used as an incentive, but will not be used punitively

3. School update-

- Upcoming events- PTA Glow Party (2/28), End of 3rd Quarter March 7th.
- School Construction updates
 - smart screens in every classroom
 - removal of carpet from walls and of pink board
 - uniform desks/tables for students and teachers (inventory will be happening soon)
 - nothing distracting until after school is out; landscaping, etc will happen starting in April

-Counselling Update - Ms. Rogers presented about programs the school is doing and about a Life Skills program being discussed for next year (Botvin Life Skills Trainings program).

4. Other items as requested

-Can the Sharp survey be done at a time when it doesn't conflict with other assignments. The item was noted to look at in the future.

-Who is the learning coach here? Ben Meier is the learning coach. Emails can be sent if there are issues that need to be addressed.

-Could we do a device free challenge? This was discussed and can be thought about in the future. This would be difficult at a school level, but could maybe be an invitation for a Red Ribbon week, etc.

Perhaps an incentive could be given for this.

5. Next Meeting Date: Completed for the school year unless a meeting is called (or needed)

Meeting Minutes

1. Welcome - Brett Gifford

- * Principal Brett Gifford welcomed the council members.

2. Agenda Items:

- * Technology Spending (\$20,000 - \$7,000 Trustland):

- * The remaining funds were used to purchase Chromebooks with cameras and touch screens.

- * These have been distributed to science classes for labs and testing.

- * The purchase was completed quickly, and the devices are in use.

- * STL Budget 2025-2026:

- * Goal: Increase student academic growth and proficiency in state-assessed areas.

- * Goal: Increase Median Growth Percentile (MGP) to 65% or higher (current MGP is 70.8%).

- * Action Plan:

- * Fund a full-time Language Arts teacher (\$85,39.77), replacing the current science funding.

- * Fund extra duty assignments for core teachers (Math, Language Arts, Science) to provide targeted support during homeroom/lunch periods (PAWS program, \$6,000.00).

- * Update technology in Math, Science, and Language Arts classrooms (\$26,764.13)

- * Council members signed participation forms for the 2025-2026 year.

- * Prevention Plan (Mrs. Rogers, Counselor):

- * Testing schedule: April 14th-17th, with a special schedule to accommodate testing.

- * State testing can be used as an incentive, not punitively.

3. School Update:

* Upcoming Events:

* PTA Glow Party (February 28th).

* End of 3rd Quarter (March 7th).

* School Construction Updates:

* Smart screens are being installed in all classrooms.

* Carpet is being removed from walls, and pink board is being taken down.

* Uniform desks/tables are being provided for students and teachers (inventory to follow).

* Landscaping and other potentially distracting work will be delayed until after the school year.

* Counseling Update:

* Mrs. Rogers presented on current counseling programs.

* Discussion of implementing a Life Skills program (Botvin Life Skills Training program) next year.

4. Other Items as Requested:

* Sharp Survey:

* Request to schedule the survey to avoid conflicts with other assignments.

* This item will be considered for future planning.

* Learning Coach:

* Ben Meier is the learning coach.

* Email communication is encouraged for addressing concerns.

* Device-Free Challenge:

- * Discussion of a potential device-free challenge.
- * Difficulty implementing at a school-wide level was noted.
- * Potential for inclusion in Red Ribbon Week or similar events with incentives.

5. Next Meeting Date:

- * No further meetings are scheduled for the current school year unless deemed necessary.
- * Next meeting will be determined for the 2025-2026 school year.

Summary

The Pine View Middle School Community Council meeting focused on budget planning for the 2025-2026 school year, technology updates, and school improvement initiatives. Key decisions included allocating funds for a full-time Language Arts teacher, providing extra support for at-risk students, and updating classroom technology. The council also discussed upcoming school events, construction updates, and counseling programs. Additionally, members addressed concerns regarding survey scheduling, learning coach contact information, and the potential for a device-free challenge. The next meeting date will be determined for the following school year.