



Hiram Johnson High School
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Hiram Johnson High School
School Site Council Meeting Minutes

Date: 7 June, 2018
Meeting Time: 3:45-4:45
Location: Room D-5

Call to Order & Roll Call

Members present:

Victoria Camargo, Alex Visaya, Arthur Aleman, Joel Foote, Robin Kafouros, Lyn Turem, Fernando Rodriguez, Garrett Kirkland, Katrina Kafouros-Parker

Members absent: Serena Rainer, Kizyke Stewart, Aljon Stewart

Also present: Susan Rubert, Shannon Fouchard, Ryan Stockton, Leticia Bucio, Tony Perez, Miguel Gonzalez, Revequita Velasquez, Windy Ly

SSC Chair Victoria Camargo called the Hiram Johnson School Site Council Meeting (SSC) to order at 3:47 PM. Roll was taken by sign in sheet, 7 members present (quorum) at start of meeting. Mr. Aleman and Mr. Visaya arrived shortly after vote to accept May minutes. 9 members present. The Agenda was distributed, along with the draft minutes from previous meeting (5/3/18) which the council reviewed.

A motion to accept minutes from the May 3, 2018 meeting with one correction to title was made by Mr. Rodriguez, Seconded by Mrs. Kafouros. Vote to accept minutes 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 0 Abstentions; Passed.

Mrs. Camargo-thanked everyone for attending the meeting. Asked if there was any unfinished business. There was no unfinished business.

New Business: Calendar for 2018-19 SSC Meetings

Calendar – according to current by-laws, elections for SSC positions occur in October (2018). Regular meeting dates for next school year are: October 4, November 1, December 6 (2018); January 10, February 7, March 7, April 4, May 2, and June 6 – provided we continue to hold meetings on the first Thursday of each month.

According to Mr. Kirkland, we should see some quarter data on student progress – especially 9th grade, EL, and senior data by the October meeting. The current deadlines for submitting budget information for staffing (one stop staffing) are late February/ early March, so staffing and break-downs of budget

information should begin to be a focus beginning in November. However, the Superintendent may make changes to staffing procedures for next year. Currently, LCAP is due March 15th according to Mr. Kirkland. Currently, one stop staffing is discussed in January and February – this may be different next year if the superintendent is able to effect changes he wants to make to one stop staffing. Jan /Feb would align with last year’s info. We should start talking about priorities in November – look at funding and data as soon as we get it.

LCAP funds July to July but staffing through SPSA needs to be turned in by March 15th - so it needs to be addressed January through February at this point, turned in by March 15. If superintendent makes changes we may know what they are by August and be able to discuss starting earlier in the year.

SSC Sub-Committee for By- Law Revision

Survey is up on website. Mr. Foote asked about sending out a letter. Ms. Turem asked if a Connect Ed call could be put out to inform parents of the survey on the website.

Goal is to have sub-committee meetings to revise By-Laws by the first meeting. Mr. Kirkland advised that we have Lisa Hayes present to make sure we do every thing according to regulations.

Mr. Visaya suggested we create a core group for the sub-committee now and add to it from survey participants. Mr. Visaya, Mrs. Camargo, Mr. Aleman, Lyn Turem and possibly other members are willing to meet.

SSC requirements: 3 students 3 parents 3 teachers 1 admin and others to 12

Members discussed meeting in September for maximum participation by students, parents, teachers, staff members in the By-Law subcommittee meetings. Meetings should be completed in time for revised by-laws to be in place for first meeting in October. Sub-committee can meet when most convenient. Mr. Foote put into the survey a means for parents or others to state the best time to meet. For regular meetings, our SSC voted to meet at 3:45pm, mainly to facilitate student involvement. It was difficult to get students to attend the meetings when we held it later in the day. Mr. Aleman expressed concern that the time for meetings should be re considered to allow more parents – especially working parents to be involved. **This should be an item on October agenda.**

Mr. Kirkland suggested creating flexible options to parents for involvement during orientation etc..

Ms. Turem asked if it would be possible to have a public comment link on the website along with agenda and other SSC information so parents can have input if they cannot be here for meetings.

Mr. Kirkland suggested again that we have Lisa Hayes be here to make sure we are following correct protocols – perhaps in September and in October as the meetings are for different purposes.

Mr. Aleman asked whether we could have a suggestion box in the office as well.

Sub Committee meetings September 6th and 20th Times TBA – Mr. Kirkland will invite Lisa Hayes. He will invite her also for the first regular SSC meeting October 4th at which the sub-committee recommendations will be reviewed by SSC after elections have been completed for regular SSC membership. There will be at least two teachers, one classified, two students leaving from the current SSC committee.

Personal Reflection

Mrs. Camargo presented Katrina Kafouros-Parker with a beautiful bouquet of flowers and expressed her thanks for her service to the school and to the SSC. Mr. Visaya also expressed his good wishes for her. Mrs. Kafouros-Parker is leaving Hiram Johnson and will be very much missed by students and staff alike. **Mr. Aleman asked** to have a copy of the WASC report. It is posted on the HJHS website, and as it is quite long, he has agreed not to have a paper copy made.

Members of the public may address the School Site Council (SSC) on non-agenda items that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Council. Please limit comments to five (5) minutes with no more than 5 minutes per single topic so that as many people as possible may be heard. By law, the SSC is allowed to take action only on items on the agenda. The Council may, at its discretion, refer a matter to district staff or calendar the issue for future discussion.

Public Comment:

Presentations by student members of budget project (facilitated by Windy Ly and ProYouth and the HJ Law Academy - Mr. Washington)

Budget projection projects empowers the school community to be more democratic with funds and spending proposals by opening the door to student involvement.

Students collected 243 surveys which resulted in 11 project proposals. Students involved in the program voted on 5 projects to develop.

Miguel Gonzalez, student, presented a proposal budget for new wrestling mats for the school.

He discussed the current condition of our mats and how having new mats would benefit not just our steadily improving wrestling team, but also our self defense classes, Law Academy, and other physical education classes. He also discussed that some of the funds used to buy the mats and transporters would come from donation and fundraisers, as well as – hopefully – the SSC and the district.

Mrs. Camargo also added that ripped mats, such as we currently have, are more likely to harbor bacteria and germs.

Mr. Aleman asked how many vendors were contacted regarding mats and costs. Miguel Gonzales stated that he had contacted several online sites and the average was \$15 thousand per mat. The total cost would be somewhere around \$50,000.

Kevequita Velasquez presented a budget for opening a Driver Education class at Hiram Johnson. She suggested that the class would be grade based, and first come first served at 30 students. Costs are about \$20 per person. It would be good to have the course because many students do not have \$20.

Miguel Gonzales discussed a project to improve water fountains on campus. He recommended a type of fountain that allows students to refill water bottles or personal water containers. Regular fountains to replace our outdated ones would cost \$ 558. The bottle filling fountains cost \$1138. This does not include labor/installation.

Miguel Gonzalez- trashcan budget proposal – suggests that we could use more trash cans on campus. Benefits the students and visitors by providing a cleaner campus. \$300 appx. for 10 trash cans.

Mr. Kirkland allowed that some trash cans are going to be bought, and three fountains will be going in this fall. Some of the projects do not fall under SSC funding allotments. Mats are very expensive and will need to be looked at more closely.

Windy Ly discussed that not all of the projects are expected to be funded, or fully funded. Some schools use this process in their schools with student mock ups or even real proposals formulated. She also pointed out that many of these proposals, put together by HJHS students, are addressing basic needs, not just frivolous ideas.

Next Meeting: By-Law Revision Meeting #1: Sept. 6, 2018, time TBA

Next regular meeting: October 4, 2018

These minutes were approved on October 4, 2018

Rebecca Turem – Secretary