**University High School**

**School Council Meeting Minutes**

**August 15th, 2017; 3:30 p.m.**

**UHS Library**

1. Approval of the Agenda
   1. Moved Standridge, 2nd Pietz
2. Approval of the May 9th, 2017 minutes
   1. Moved Traquair,, 2nd Standridge
   2. Discussion: Karlowicz requested recording the vote count for each motion. For: unanimous
3. Call to the Audience
   1. Tracy Hill guest for discussion of portables

Introduction of student teacher:

1. Discussion and Action Items
   1. *Discussion Item:* Open Meeting Laws/Robert’s Rules of Order/UHS School Constitution
      1. Correction of the Mission Statement noted
      2. Copy of Open Meeting Law
   2. *Action Item:* Appointment of Parliamentarian
      1. Motion to select Mr. Karlowicz. For: All but one, Against Herring. Measure passes.
   3. *Action Item:* Approval of Professional Development Calendar for 2017-2018
      1. Moved: Dr. Yell, 2nd Ms. Molina
      2. Calendar is available as a handout
         1. Mr. Bacalia notes that the calendar meets District standards
         2. Dr. Yell questioned the inclusion of some requirements at the end of May.
         3. Ms. Cislak responded to explain the requirements. Culturally relevant learning and critical reading and writing skills remains important for our for students, especially those whose home language is not English.
         4. Noel Muluneh: What are culturally relevant curriculum standards?
         5. Mr. Bacalia: We heard about the OSHA standards, and “We did extensive testing to address specific concerns. We received approval for all of the standards we worked on.
         6. Mr. Schmidt: I remain concerned about untrained student workers in a dangerous situation. This puts a teacher is a difficult situation when he or she is responsible for potential danger and injury.
         7. Ms. Standridge: Do we want to defer this until we have more information?
         8. Dr. Yell: What is the potential impact of eliminating student labor?
      3. Mr. Youngerman: We don’t have much money in the treasury. Without students’ efforts Stage Crew could not function.
      4. Mr. Schmidt: It is inappropriate to ask teachers to violate OHSHA requirements. This endangers students.
      5. Ms. Standridge moved to address this topic further at a later meeting.
      6. Vote: For: 24, Against 2.
   4. *Action Item:* Mindfulness Program in Health Classes – Funding Request of $2800 for 2017-2018 SY ($1400 per semester)
      1. Motion to approve Ms. Molina, Second Ms. Peters.
      2. Mr. Bacalia: Summary of research on Mindfulness

Proposal is for another 8 week program.

Ms. Traquair commented on the success of the program

Mr. Schmidt requested more accurate graphs to illustrate the results.

* + 1. Roll Call Vote: For: 23 Against 3. Motion passes
  1. *Discussion Item:*  Construction of solar panels in RUHS parking lots, Presenter, Tracy Hill.
     1. Proposed plans and deadline for acceptance. Will lock in rate and will produce 60% of power.
     2. Explanation of process. Still needs TUSD Board approval. Will save funds for the District “A minimum of 2 million dollars.
     3. Tracy Carmello: How will this affect the possibility of shaded parking?
     4. Ms. Frenkel “How is this free?”
     5. Mr. Castillon: What happens if this company goes away?
     6. Mr. Hill discussed the location and possible concerns about implementation of this plan.
     7. Mr. Tong: Who owns the panels after 20 years ?(TUSD)
     8. Mr. Castillon: What about vandalism? (Hill: Security will be available if needed)
     9. Ms. Tully: This will be an action item in a later meeting.
  2. *Discussion Item:* Results of the Needs Assessment Survey 2017
     1. Mr. Bacalia: We need to ensure that our AP materials are up to standard, such as the Spanish language dictionaries. Not funding Quizlet and Peardeck.

Also document cameras are necessary, as well as upkeep for them. Other needs include clean drinking water on campus, more classrooms, working whiteboards, a new Band Room, lights on practice field, and professional development, including the training for Springboard.

* + 1. Ms. Cislak: we receive funding from cellphone towers on campus, but the discretionary budget is very limited.
    2. Mr. Bacalia: We need communication for custodians and more funding for basic custodial supplies.
    3. Ms. Molina: How does UHS and Rincon split the cost for needs from both schools (For example, the need to have clean water, not brown drinking water).
    4. Ms Cislak: We need clean, clear drinking water on campus. Water dispensers cost $5 each, but each bottle of water costs $1.29.
  1. *Action Item:* Motion for the UHS School Council to recommend that future fundraising efforts support the outcomes of the Needs Assessment Survey 2016
  2. Move: Ms. Peters, Ms. Molina. Friendly amendment, Ms. Standridge.
  3. Discussion: Mr. Youngerman: funding is not limited. Passes with one abstention.

Ms. Cislak: Principal’s Report

1. Committee & Misc. Reports
   1. Principal’s Report
   2. New teachers
   3. Student college planning
   4. Schedule for this evening’s Parent Night
   5. AP Scores: freshmen responded with a 3.5% passing rate. 3.7% overall. Doubled score average for Mr Herring.
   6. Demographic shifts. 50% FRLunch, 37 % first in family to go to college . 1200 students enrolled.
   7. Forums for potential TUSD Superintendent candidates.
   8. Cosco Night is scheduled for August 26.
   9. Students may log on to TUSD WiFi account
   10. UHS has an new and excellent internship program at St. Joseph’ s Hospital. This continues throughout the school year. Internship opportunities continue with St. Joseph’s and will expand to internship opportunities at St. Mary’s. Ms. Cislak hopes to expand to additional programs.
   11. We have an exciting possibility for UHS to have its own campus. The Distract may also consider the option of a UHS middle school. The proposal is due in October.
   12. Tax Credit & Budget Report
2. Mr. Youngerman: Started last year with $49,000. Competition for tax credit money is affected by stipends. This leaves about $10,000.
   * 1. Make sure you meet the deadlines to have your request considered.
     2. We invested funds in the Weight Room, which has not been fully implemented (paint, flooring.) The Weight Room is the most used room in the school.
     3. Dr.Yell: How much did we spend last year? Clubs are doing their own fundraising.
3. Recruitment & Retention Committee Report: larger classes
   * 1. Mr. Bacalia: 16 sophomores entered UHS, 3 juniors. Parent information for freshmen and sophomores is scheduled, as is the meeting to 600 students who have taken the CogAt test. Step Up Day, with students are bussed in to tour UHS will be October 17.
     2. Retention and Recruitment meeting is Oct 18 (?)
   1. School Council Report: Dr. Yell. Student schedule requests, water and other issues.
   2. Instructional Council Report
4. UHS Foundation & Alumni Association Report
   1. Mr. Bacalia: we always give the Foundation credit for the support for UHS.
   2. Ms. Tully: the foundation has hesitation to fund materials that might be used by RHS
5. Parents Association Report: Ms. Peters: the UHSPA met last night. They have $8460 in bank. Several open spots in the Board are available; contact UHSPA through email. A faculty report was given by Ms. Balzer. Information was also available about Volunteers for Penguin Pathway. More information is available on the UHSPA Facebook page. The next meeting is 9/11.
6. SAB Report: Mr. Bacalia notes that SAB is already looking at Homecoming.
7. Requests for Agenda Items for next meeting: submit action & discussion items in electronic format.
8. Reminders:
   1. School Council meeting time and place will be posted 24 hours in advance (on UHS Admin. Bulletin Board and in public). Attendance and minutes will be submitted to a School Council officer prior to the next meeting.
   2. Please observe proper decorum and schedule your time to be able to attend the entire School Council meeting. Each meeting should last 90 minutes and will be adjourned by 5:00 p.m. A quorum, your time, and your participation are valued assets of the UHS School Council.
9. Adjournment

**Next Scheduled Meeting: Tuesday, September 12th, 2017; 3:30 p.m. UHS Library**