**University High School**

**School Council Meeting Minutes**

**Sept. 12th, 2017; 3:30 p.m.**

**UHS Library**

1. Approval of the Agenda
   1. Moved Peters, 2nd Palacio-Hum
2. Approval of the Aug. 15th, 2017 minutes
   1. Moved Peters, 2nd Traquair
3. Call to the Audience
4. Discussion & Action Items
   1. Action Item: Approval of new floor mats for RUHS Cheer ($1200)
      1. Motion: Bob Yell; Second: Hannah Traquair
      2. Youngerman: available funds limit our ability to provide these now. We will have more available funds later in the semester.
      3. Ciaramello: Why do they need these now? How many do they need?
      4. Bacalia: The cheer squad need six mats, and the old mats have been discarded.
      5. Frenkel: Do these benefit UHS students?
      6. Bacalia: Cheer is both UHS and RHS. They need the mats for scheduled competitions.
      7. Vote:14 yes, 11 no
   2. Action Item: Endorsement for UHS to have their own school site with a middle school
      1. Motion: Paul Karlowicz; Second: Bob Yell
      2. Cislak: We need to make a statement supporting a move of UHS to its own site and the creation of a middle school. Staff members have expressed support in small group meetings in recent weeks.
      3. Oliva-Martinez: What is the proposed relationship of the middle school to the high school?
      4. Cislak: The middle school will be physically separated from the high school, although they share some activities such as mentoring and attendance at sports events.
      5. Castillon: What is the source of the funding?
      6. Cislak: TUSD.
      7. Ciaramello: How will the transportation work?
      8. Cislak: Students will use the yellow TUSD busses for transportation.
      9. Oliva-Martinez? If we get our own campus, when will that happen?
      10. Cislak: August 2018.
      11. Molina: Where will University High and the proposed middle school be located?
      12. Cislak: This is not our decision; it will be decided by the TUSD School Board. The location will be based the availability of usable space. There are 3 options: stay at UHS, moved to the Catalina site or move to Santa Rita.
      13. Tong: The plan uses resources that are not being used. The decision is probably not up to the TUSD Board as much as to the Special Master. We will need a “war chest” of funding to prepare for a move and the development of a middle school.
      14. Karlowicz: We need to express unanimous support in this endorsement.
      15. Vote: 28 yes, 0 no.
   3. Discussion Item: Registration requirements for AP European History & AP World History for sophomore students.
      1. Meg Tully: This is my issue. Students who have taken AP European History or AP World History in middle school may have background, but they so not have AP credit despite having taken the test. They may want to make other choices if they do not want to repeat the course.
      2. Cislak: We do not get records of AP scores from middle schools. It is not clear whether the College Board will accept them. Colleges and universities do not accept middle school AP scores.
      3. Schmidt: In math classes, this issue is less of a concern. Students required to retake AP classes in which they were not successful.
      4. Karlowicz: This situation is different than math, which is a skill based system that needs completion before moving on.
      5. Cislak: Students with middle school AP courses should meet with their counselors prior to registrations to make appropriate choices in the schedules.
5. Committee & Misc. Reports
   1. Principal’s Report
      1. Cislak: Thursday is Parent Back-to School night. Friday is a half -day with a program for seniors. Homecoming events are planned for the rest of the week.
      2. Herring: Breakout sessions with university and college representative will provide information and guidance for seniors. A presentation by a UHS grad will begin the program.
      3. Cislak: Homecoming Dance is limited to UHS and RHS students. It will end at 10:00 p.m. Food trucks will provide reasonably-priced options before the game.
      4. Frenkel: Why is the dance limited to only UHS and RHS students.
      5. Cislak: This is the only dance that is limited to UHS and RHS students. Prom and other dances will allow invited students from other schools to attend, with the usual arrangements.
   2. Tax Credit & Budget Report
      1. George Youngerman delivered the committee report
   3. Recruitment & Retention Committee Report
      1. Joel Bacalia delivered the committee report
   4. Instructional Council Report
      1. Bob Yell delivered the committee report
   5. UHS Foundation & Alumni Association Report
      1. Gebert: The Professional Development Program has matched UHS students in internship programs with St. Mary’s Hospital. Marco, the UHS on-site program coordinator is working on similar programs to match with UHS students.
   6. Parents Association Report
      1. Bill Tong delivered the committee report
   7. Student Council Report
      1. Joel Bacalia delivered the report – Student Council is focused on Homecoming activities this week
6. Request for Agenda Items for next meeting (please submit action & discussion items in electronic format)
7. 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.
8. Adjournment 4:53
   1. Motion: Tom Tobin; 2nd: Peters

**Next Scheduled Meeting: Tuesday, Oct. 17th at 3:30 p.m. in the RUHS Library**