**University High School**

**School Council Meeting Agenda**

**Dec. 13th, 2016; 3:30 p.m.**

**UHS Library**

1. Attendance

Barbara Hughes

Mary Palacio-Hum

Karen Peters

David Pietz

Kirsten Randolph Zamora

Lea Standridge

George Youngerman

Enrique Castillon

Carolina Olivia-Martinez

Claire Van Straalen

David Herring

Paul Karlowicz

Jeff Marchant

Leiba Schuneman

Tom Tobin

Hannah Traquair

Meg Tully

Bob Yell

Amy Cislak (Principal)

Joel Bacalia (Assistant Principal)

Kevin Gebert

1. Approval of the Agenda
   1. Shuneman, seconded peters
   2. unanimous
2. Approval of the Oct. 18th, 2016 Minutes
   1. Tobin, yell seconds
   2. unanimous
3. Call to the Audience
   1. Gordon Custis: Health wellness program:
      1. It works well, open class with some breathing exercises
      2. Great, lets continue investing in this
4. Discussion & Action Items
   1. Action Item: Approval of “Film Analysis” course for the 2017-2018 school year.
      1. David Sudak – this class existed a few years ago, but it had a technical side to it, English class elective, writing/critical thinking/reading/writing components. Look at films across genres and mediums, and we have a lot of film lovers
      2. Herring: in the past it has been a fine arts elective
         1. Sudak: English elective
      3. Traquair: Underclassmen?
         1. Sudak: No, just juniors and seniors
      4. Peters: Scheduling?
         1. Sudak: It can go any time during the day
      5. Tobin: Can it count as a fine arts elective?
         1. Herring: I don’t remember, but it also counted as an elective because of the syllabus
      6. Yell: Have all these courses gone in front of the board?
         1. Tully: This one specifically has to go in front of the board, but the other courses have been already approved by the board.
      7. Karlowicz: How many sections? Move: Film analysis course will be offered in the 2017-2018 school year, English semester, full year, juniors and seniors, one credit course, not to be repeated
         1. Peters seconded
      8. Roll Call Vote – Motion passes

Barbara Hughes abstain

Mary Palacio-Hum yes

Karen Peters yes

David Pietz yes

Kirsten Randolph Zamora yes

Lea Standridge yes

George Youngerman yes

Enrique Castillon yes

Mara Harwin no

Carolina Olivia-Martinez yes

Claire Van Straalen yes

David Herring yes

Paul Karlowicz yes

Jeff Marchant no

Leiba Schuneman yes

Tom Tobin yes

Hannah Traquair yes

Meg Tully yes

Bob Yell yes

Joel Bacalia (Assistant Principal) yes

Kevin Gebert abstain

* + 1. MOTION PASSES
  1. Action Item: Approval of “Leadership Theory” course (i.e. Student Council) for the 2017-2018 school year.
     1. Cannon: Saguaro, Catalina Foothills models of doing this for the last 20 years.
     2. Van Straalen: You just have to make decisions, and you can’t do it all
     3. Tully: We give students a safe environment in which to make these important choices, we shouldn’t limit choices because it isn’t available to everyone
     4. Yell: How has the class evolved since our last discussion?
        1. Full class, one credit
     5. Peters: Open to anyone?
        1. Cannon: Yes, as long as you are in a leadership position
     6. Schuneman: Does this eliminate elections?
        1. Cannon: No, so we would still have elections. Those elected have first priority. Gives the students a set structured hour to work.
     7. Gebert: Is it mandatory for those elected?
        1. Cannon: Yes, there will be contract
     8. Marchant: All these programs will be better if they can start and stay, but every year we run the risk of the class disappearing each year. If this is a class, will they still be requiring the stipends for student council?
        1. Cislak: we don’t want to over saturate the elective. The problem with student council is every time we get momentum, a sponsor quits and students have to leave. We don’t do much, and there aren’t many fun things. My overall concern is that the sponsor has to do all of it because there aren’t enough time for the students. With that being said, I don’t have a preference for how this looks. If there is going to be a class, we cannot advocate for 3 stipends. But maybe I can do 1 stipend.
     9. Yell: Credits?
        1. Cannon: Those want to retake it, should be able to. The students can make the choice and rearrange their schedule. The students know what the issues are and can make plans. And there are different levels throughout the year
     10. Karlowicz: Motion: 1 credit course, open to incoming freshmen and can take it all 4 years, one period during the regular school day, 1/5 of a teacher’s FTE, No limit on student number, stipend apart from this, social studies elective credit,
         1. Youngerman seconds
     11. Herring: How does this this show up on a transcript?
         1. Marchant: Just shows up as a repeated elective
     12. Peters: How do we verify that students are viable for leadership?
         1. Cannon: contract, 2 teacher recs
     13. Karlowicz: Will you write up a written statement about what this class would entail over the 4 years by the February meeting?
         1. Cannon: Yes
     14. Roll Call Vote – Motion passes

Barbara Hughes yes

Mary Palacio-Hum yes

Karen Peters yes

David Pietz yes

Kirsten Randolph Zamora yes

Lea Standridge yes

George Youngerman yes

Enrique Castillon no

Carolina Olivia-Martinez yes

Claire Van Straalen yes

David Herring yes

Paul Karlowicz yes

Jeff Marchant yes

Leiba Schuneman yes

Tom Tobin yes

Hannah Traquair yes

Meg Tully yes

Bob Yell yes

Amy Cislak Yes

Joel Bacalia (Assistant Principal) yes

Kevin Gebert No

* 1. Action Item: Approval of AP Spanish Literature course for the 2017-2018 school year
     1. Tully: Already approved by the board, reliant on registration
     2. Standridge, seconded peters
     3. Herring: Do we have to discuss since it has already been on the books?
        1. Cislak: All of our other electives are part of school policy, and we wanted to include this one because it hasn’t been offered in a while
     4. Roll Call Vote – Motion passes

Barbara Hughes yes

Mary Palacio-Hum yes

Karen Peters yes

David Pietz yes

Kirsten Randolph Zamora yes

Lea Standridge yes

George Youngerman yes

Enrique Castillon yes

Carolina Olivia-Martinez yes

Claire Van Straalen yes

David Herring yes

Paul Karlowicz yes

Jeff Marchant yes

Leiba Schuneman yes

Tom Tobin yes

Hannah Traquair yes

Meg Tully yes

Bob Yell yes

Amy Cislak Yes

Joel Bacalia (Assistant Principal) yes

Kevin Gebert Yes

* 1. Action Item: Approval of AP Music Theory for the 2017-2018 school year.
     1. Standridge, seconded Randolph Zamora
     2. Roll Call Vote – Motion passes

Barbara Hughes yes

Mary Palacio-Hum yes

Karen Peters yes

David Pietz yes

Kirsten Randolph Zamora yes

Lea Standridge yes

George Youngerman yes

Enrique Castillon yes

Carolina Olivia-Martinez yes

Claire Van Straalen yes

David Herring yes

Paul Karlowicz yes

Jeff Marchant yes

Leiba Schuneman yes

Tom Tobin yes

Hannah Traquair yes

Meg Tully yes

Bob Yell yes

Amy Cislak Yes

Joel Bacalia (Assistant Principal) yes

Kevin Gebert yes

1. Committee & Misc. Reports
   1. Principal’s Report & State of the School Report - Cislak
      1. More enrollment because of recruitment and retention, District sends out enrollment projections and we are 75 more students than we have this year, Rincon has about that many fewer
      2. Want to offer Spanish lit because we have many students max out on Spanish classes by sophomore year, and we want to keep them on campus. Music Theory is more specialized, and we want to make sure that is an opportunity
      3. Next week we will have a modular schedule before finals
      4. Donate tax credits please!!!!!
         1. Peters: we trade tax credits for families
      5. We are scheduling meetings to try and improve the campus
      6. Accreditation: was here last week, and we did great!! Recommendations: we need more tech and better facilities
      7. Pietz: Are we going to continue to increase our enrollment? And what are the factors that go into this?
         1. Cislak: This is out last year to push. We’ll never get beyond 1100-1200 students and continue to be who we are
      8. Youngerman: What about the Raytheon families?
         1. Cislak: We don’t have control over space. The superintendent has said that any students we want to take we can
         2. Tully: BASIS kids are also bursting
      9. Pietz: Will the changing board help us?
         1. Cislak: Maybe!
   2. Tax Credit & Budget Report – Youngerman
      1. Funding Request: New sound system for Dance Program ($1500.00)
         1. Recommending more than Braun request to account for mounting the sound system
      2. Funding Request: New instruments and rehearsal tower for RUHS Marching Band ($13,827.00)
         1. Recommending $5,500 for instruments badly needed
         2. Maybe fund the rehearsal tower from other sources
            1. Marchant: The stand is a lower priority, and that’s okay
            2. Standridge: 1900 to fund the stand?

Marchant: Yes

* + - 1. Cislak: What are our financial goals overall? We should use tax credit money on athletes and fine arts because we can.
      2. Gebert: Do we get to keep the stuff we buy if the schools split?
         1. Cislak: We don’t know
    1. Funding Request: Travel support for RUHS Color Guard to Dayton, Ohio for Color Guard Championships ($1000.00)
    2. We don’t recommend:
       1. New equipment for weight room, Rincon’s PTA has already donated money and materials. Questions: Can we buy it used? Can we get a 3 year plan? District has committed $10k
       2. New cheer mats? New mats were bought last year and they were beat up during grad night
       3. Balance: $44,518 (Realistically $42,518)
    3. OPTIONS:
       1. Vote on these in January or call a special meeting?
       2. Special meeting Monday 19 scheduled, 3:30, and if it’s not time sensitive we will cancel it
  1. Recruitment & Retention Committee Report - Cislak
     1. Last admissions testing last Saturday over 200 students
     2. Admissions material will all be online now
  2. Instructional Council Report - Cislak
     1. Working on course registration, asking students to select classes online through synergy
     2. Jordan Wiley Hill mindfulness training, did a pre test and post test
        1. How stressed are you? Pre test: 22 VERY STRESSED, Post – 19
        2. Positive feedback
  3. UHS Foundation & Alumni Association Report
     1. Gebert: Nothing
  4. Parents Association Report
     1. Peters: report from grad night, Mardi Gras theme, looking for RSVP’s last date for reduced price is Dec. 31
     2. College ambassadors in the CCC, getting alumni to talk
     3. SPCT – suppers on campus????
     4. Military report
     5. Marcos Flores – new counselor, and he is the new counselor, talked about AP sign up
        1. Herring: AP’s paid by tax credit
        2. Cislak: Yes
  5. Student Council Report
     1. No students from SC attended

1. Request for Agenda Items for next meeting (please submit action & discussion items in electronic format)
   1. Standridge: Why a 6 period day?
      1. Cislak: It would cost another $1 million and we have no funding for that, and the funding won’t come from the state
2. 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.
3. Adjournment -4:53
   1. Tobin, Yell seconded
   2. Pass unanimous

**Next Scheduled Meeting: Tuesday, Jan. 17th, 2017**