

Site Council Meeting

November 30, 2021

Present: Damian Crowson, Susie Biller, Chris Pendleton, Rob Saunders, Ben Bickle, Carla Carter and guests that may want to join were Trinity Shodin and Leilaini Tausaga.

Susie shared our "Sprint to Christmas Break" calendar. We have every event on the calendar that is taking place each day until Dec. 16th. It was sent to all staff to make it easier to plan the next 3 weeks.

Our FFA Auction/Dinner will be on Dec 11th and our FFA students will be running the event. There will be a great meal, silent auction item and a live dessert auction.

Our Leadership students asked to show the Elf movie on December 16th. We will be on a special bell schedule on that day, there will be various activities and we will show the Elf movie. Leadership students are going to send out a survey about what activities students want to do.

Our Christmas Music Performance will be on December 15th at 7:00 pm in the commons. It will showcase the band and choir and lots of good holiday music. Damian had a meeting with Julie Johnson from GoBeGreat and asked if Kevin Atlas could possibly do a video to promote our students attending the music concert. At our All School assembly Kevin challenged Nate Vidlak to encourage our athletic teams to attend a music concert.

Boys and Girls soccer ended with 2 runner up finishes at state. Rob was asked to comment on the season. Rob said it was an amazing experience, the boys finished 3rd in conference and girls finished 1st. Rob said the boys team really peaked and clicked at the last two home games on the way to the championship. They played well at the championship games, they had some bad luck and it was a win just to be there with the girls. It was a team building experience, we brought in the Spaghetti Factory food and sat by team in a huge room. We all enjoyed the time together, we enjoyed the experience. I believe kids will remember it forever. Thank you Mr. Pendleton for the recognition assembly the Thursday before. Kid felt great about the assembly, the band playing was incredible, it felt like we were all together.

Basketball, wrestling, and swimming start this week, we have good numbers overall for students participating. We need some more swimmers, we have 3 teams of boys and girls basketball. We will be starting archery next week.

We have posted a campus monitor position, we have not had any applicants so far and it is still posted.

We have had a decrease in the number of fights, we have not had any fights for a while. We had an assault, and we concluded our investigation today. We had a walk out, 24 students and 6 parents showed up to protest for the student that was assaulted. The students and parents were great.

Damian has reached out to all of the parents and he is going to create some parameters around a parent vertical town hall and work with students, parents and teachers.

We will be meeting all in a structured environment. Damian said he will be identifying 3 buckets we need to fill. He has added a weekly meeting with Julia and talking about the climate and culture of our staff. Information can be shared and gathered and decisions can be made based on information collected.

There was a meeting of staff that wanted to help to create a classroom phone policy. They created a team to read our policy. We have a decent policy, they asked if we wanted to be flexible or strict currently, it depends on the teacher. From that meeting it was clear our staff wants teeth in our cell phone policy. What happens if students don't follow the guidelines? There will be a first reading of a policy and additional meetings of staff.

There was a rumour on social media that there was going to be a walk out, a silent protest circulating to support the two students that were involved in the assault. Students were going to wear pajamas to school on Monday. The Administrative team met on Sunday, they talked to Dave and ran the situation through DO. It is not in board policy that students cannot wear pajamas to school, there would be no notification to parents about not wearing pajamas. The number of students that wore pajamas to school was way down on Monday, Even kids that normally wear pajamas did not wear them to school that day. Parents were still mad that we did not send out a notice about the silent protest.

We are working through two possible expulsions, we have two students suspended with a recommendation for expulsion. These are the two students that assaulted a girl at HV, we will be presenting the expulsion to the district expulsion officer. We will provide two alternative education. There is an appeal process. Parents can waive the right to a hearing and accept the expulsion.

In our summary of the investigation, there is no one that is 100% certain of who videotaped the event. We cannot find the original owner of the video. It was put on Snapchat, we can place 3 students who were not supposed to be in that location. They will receive consequences.

Damian talked with Julie Jackson from GO BE GREAT, she is going to see if she can have a video message made for our students. Kevin Atlas challenged our athletes to attend a band concert and Julie thought he could do a video for our students.

We will celebrate Ginny Groover's retirement at our December 10th staff holiday breakfast. We will surprise her with a Hawaii Christmas decorated staff recognition for her years at HV.

We are getting incredible support from Chris Pendleton, our new Administrator filling in for Dale while he is out. He is helping us to run HV and organize and support our athletic events.

We are short of substitutes in the building. Lelani, Carla and Paul got authorization to sub for our certified staff. They have already been helping us. Teachers have given up a lot of their preps to cover for teachers being out.

Young Life has offered us extra support at lunch, Roger Haberman and other volunteers have been coming in and it has helped a lot during lunches. Kids want to gather and we are planning some events during the last week of school before the break. There will be minute to win it games, a spirit week, Elf the movie and more games.

Professional Development - Aaron from Varsity Brand will be here to help our staff with Trauma Informed Practices. Damian is connecting with him for some virtual PD for our staff. Julie Jackson from GoBeGreat said she will wrap us in help, she knows students are struggling with social skills and having us recognize their struggles will be helpful. He will lead some PD's the first of the year.

Casey is helping support our CTE Expansion with the purchase of 10 new machines supported by CTE and TRSD for our welding program for a value of \$33,000.

There are 35 of the very high end computers that will be going in D-9. These computers will support CAD, Video Editing and E-Sports. Staff will sign up to use the lab. We ordered cameras to go in the lab. We may need to order additional chairs for the lab.

Music made the cut on priority for ESSER funds and it is a solid amount of dollars. We will be able to make some changes with instruments. Music program band and choir is on Wednesday, December 15 at 7:00pm. Rob is going to try to live stream the concert.

Our new staff include Makenzie Noga-Health, she will be working with Ginny until Ginny is done on the 16th. Spencer Padgett-Library, will be working with Tammy this week for training. We have 2.5 custodians, 2 food service, and a campus monitor open positions. We posted the ERC aide position that is open due to Makenzie moving to health. We also have a boys golf position posted.

Carla put up 3 No Vaping signs inside the girls restrooms in the locker bay. They were quickly taken down. She put 3 signs outside of the girls bathroom and some girls told her thank you. Some of our boys asked her to put up signs at the boys restroom.

Carla said we just got the PSATs in today 68 sophomores tested and only 3 met or exceeded in math 26 met or exceeded in reading. She sent out the scores to teachers. We had 3 juniors that retook and one of those students did not meet math.

Damian - Math is sequential and since the shut down and how we chunked math it will take years for us to recover in Math, Standards are sequential. In English you may cycle with the same standards several times in one year. Harder with math since it builds on itself. Top scorers are Art kids (Ben)

Carla said kids missed so much math last year and the 2 months at the end of previous year.

Damaina said we can use extra counseling help and Robbie and Don and Amy are stepping out and we will call Wings to see if they can come back.