

# Site Council Minutes 12/7/16

## North Valley High School

### Minutes



#### 1. POinT Teacher Training – Update – Kelly Turner

Kelly Turner talked about what POinT Teacher Training is and what they have been doing. She said they are basically learning how to help teachers this year and next year she will implement what she has learned. She also said she has used a couple of the things in her own classroom so far and has found it helpful. They are learning about discussion, assessment and student engagement in the classroom. Marsha Moyers has been helping the teachers learn new techniques in the classroom

#### 2. School Improvement Plan- Math – Dennis

- Trial in Progress Individualizing in CC1 + 2 + 3

- Algebra I and Math 63

- Geometry (Scharpen and Wright)

- Coding Class for math credit

- Use of Khan Academy in a flipped classroom

Goal: - Better student gain in when skills are very low

- Improve math mastery

Dennis Misner said that the school is putting a bigger focus on Mathematics. Test scores are rarely above 30% in our area in math. Brian Scharpen and Jeromy Wright along with some HV teachers have been trying some new strategies to teach math including using the flip classroom (student does work and teacher observes) and using Khan Academy in the classroom. Mary Jane Taylor stated that she has concerns that our top kids have missed or forgotten some key elements in math and when they go to take college placement tests, kids cannot place high enough and end up taking more math in college. Kelly Turner stated that she doesn't feel that Middle School brains are ready to take some of the math that they are taking and then retain what they learned. There was much more discussion about this.

#### Teacher Goals

##### Piloting Synergy Assessments -

Dennis talked a little bit about how some of our teachers are using Synergy to have the students take their assessments in.

#### 3. Technology change coming to Principals office

Dennis said he would be getting a large screen tv in his conference space to be used.

#### 4. Proposed student check-in Process – Stephanie

We will be getting a new student check-in computer for students to use starting the 2<sup>nd</sup> term.

## 5. Accreditation Progress

- a. Our work in January: Review/analyze student/staff/parent surveys
- b. Write a portion of Parent Input Section
- c. Review School Self-Assessment
- d. Locate and name a parent group in April for interview

Dennis talked a little bit about where we are with the accreditation process. He said that we will have our self-assessments ready to submit in March and our in-house visit will be April 4. He will need to assemble a team of parents for this.

- 6. Other Business- Dennis Misner talked about the senior class wanted to add a paintable large rock to our driveway where our big tree just fell over. Each senior class would be allowed to paint the rock each year. We also received a grant to redo the driveway. The grant is for about \$18,000. The plan is to make a dry riverbed with hardy plants and a water feature.