

Nevada Union High School Site Council Agenda Approved Minutes  
Thursday, November 10, 2016  
Library Conference Room  
4:00 p.m.

Members present: Megan Ross, Andy Burton, Sherry Chagrin, Betsy Swann, Alicia Brott, Nick Sims, Katie Alling, June Gilfillan, Kelly Rhoden

Guests: Tim Reid, Dan Frisella

Welcome: Junet Bedayn, Chairperson

1. PUBLIC MEETING

- A. Call to Order 4:11
- B. Agenda (Consent Approval)
- C. Minutes of the October 27, 2016 meeting Katie Alling moved to approve minutes as submitted. Betsy Swann. Minutes were unanimously approved.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

Invitation to members of the public to address the School Site Council with issues not on the agenda (non-action items which may be added to future agendas) Dan Frisella brought up the sub-committee that was going to work on the survey. He said Jamie Reeves (school board member) would look at a list of questions, give ideas for incentivising, and who is open to provide consultation which will be uncompensated because it would be a conflict of interest. Andy wants to set a date for the meeting. The purpose of the sub-committee would be to identify the areas we which we want to have questions written. Katie: What's the timeframe for giving the survey? Kelsey Langel, Megan Ross, Dan Frisella, Andy Burton, Junet Bedayn, Betsy Swann, Kelly Rhoden would like to be on the sub committee. These members will get together to come up with the main idea for what the survey will include and present it at the next Site Council.

Survey purpose is to take the pulse of the students relative to the school goals. Use the data from the survey to create future goals and inform the WASC groups.

Last meeting the idea of Your Vision, Your Voice was discussed as a way to collect input from students related to school goals.

Katie moved that June will put together a Doodle scheduler. Nick Sims seconded.

3. REPORTS

- A. Students (student council, non-action item)  
Nick Sims talked about winter sports getting under way. November 21st is Athlete Committed night. The club is also working on starting a dodgeball club.  
November 14 to 18 is the canned food drive. The Blood Drive is December 2nd.

Junet reported Mrs. Starr had an election party and students watched the election on campus for a few hours. Mood on campus has been interesting post election. It's been noticed that there has been a rise in hate speech towards minorities on campus. There is a desire to put out a message that this is a safe

school. There is a concern about rape culture at this school and in the greater community.

Kelly Rhoden said she has had meetings with parents today about these issues. There are some students on campus that are targeting minority students on campus. She is working to create messages that will go out to the community that this type of behavior will not be tolerated.

Andy drew parallels between this issue and the LCAP process at Lyman Gilmore. He said through the LCAP it became a cause specific to the campus where it was dealt with programmatically. The intended message was: Our culture is inclusive, there is no gender or racial component.

Dan Frisella said Breaking Down the Walls, an all day program that that works to resolve walls between students, will occur at NU early next calendar year. It's an opportunity for students to share their stories. The environment is very safe. Stories come out, students hear them and begin to understand others. The challenge is continuing that positive feeling and sensitivity towards others that comes out of that event.

Sherry wants to know how the rape culture comes into this? Junet responded by saying that the rape culture is a concern among youth. The group discussed that the current political climate seems to have given people license to say what they think, no matter how insensitive it is, or how much it offends people. This is a concern that will need to be addressed from this point forward.

B. Principal (non-action item)

Kelly Rhoden reported that there were on-campus elections done by Humanities and Partnership Academies. They were a lot of fun and were done really well. Nick said it was a lot of work but received a lot of positive feedback on the results.

NU put on High School and Beyond - Freshman and Sophomore parents met with counselors to talk about what they need to be ready for the next step after high school (college requirements, desired skills, etc.).

Sources of Strength training was today and it was really great. It addressed some ways to address mental health needs/concerns that are on campus. Hopefully to having some student support to combat some of that stress.

Al Angulo and Jim Drew were elected to the NJUHSD Board of Education. There is still a hope that Measure B will pass.

C. WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges - non-action item)

Kelly reported that focus groups are finished and we are creating an action plan. This council will be included in drafting that plan. November 30, 8:30 to 3:30 at the new NCSOS office on 380 Crown Pointe Circle will be the meeting date and time.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## A. Evaluate Action Steps in Goal #1

Dan recommended we make note of which actions and preparations need to be taken specific to CAASPP. There was a recommendation to make the goal more measurable for next year. The concern over timing of testing for AP and CAASPP was brought up. The district intends to test earlier this year so there is a greater span of time between the two. The plan is to do the state testing prior to Spring Break. Some districts are putting the CAASPP scores on student transcripts. This would need to be a district decision. Some other ideas for how to increase scores would be to analyze the data and implement instruction based on that data.

Junet asked, "Do teachers provide instruction related to the results of online practice tests?"

Megan said that through the use of data from Illuminate (online practice tests) teachers are doing more of this targeted instruction.

Dan said we will continue to use Illuminate. He recommends looking at incentives to support student achievement.

Kelly - What can we do for students who have met the expectations? This would be the seniors who tested in their previous year.

Junet said that Dan coming into the classrooms and showing the comparative data with other area schools was really impactful. This is something worth continuing. If we were to revise the goal we would say: Increase proficiency rates on the CAASPP (CA Assessment of Student Performance and Progress) exam for 11th grade students and sub-groups by 5% for the 2016-2017 testing year.

Alicia made a motion to revise the goal we would say: Increase proficiency rates on the CAASPP (CA Assessment of Student Performance and Progress) exam for 11th grade students and sub-groups by 5% for the 2016-2017 testing year. Seconded by Sherry.

Betsy moved to amend to say: Increase proficiency rates on the CAASPP (CA Assessment of Student Performance and Progress) exam for 11th grade students and sub-groups by 5% and meet a 95% participation rate for the 2016-2017 testing year. Nick seconded. Motion passed.

Discussion ensued.

Dan is concerned that if we finalize this goal it doesn't allow the WASC group to provide input.

Nick moved to postpone the motion until the next meeting. It was seconded. Discussion was had and motion passed.

6. Comments from Council members and public - Alicia Brott brought up whether or not the coach of the JV soccer team had a request for Walkathon. Kelly

7. CLOSING

A. Confirm December 8th Meeting

B. Future agenda items -

Walkathon Budget

Review available school data

Evaluate Goal #2

8. ADJOURNMENT Closed at 5:34