

Nevada Union High School Site Council Unapproved Minutes
Thursday, April 11th, 2019
J204
4:00 pm

1. PUBLIC MEETING

A. Call to Order at 4:06 Attendees: June Gilfillan, Helen Holtrop, Savannah Betito, Katie Alling, Bron Fariss, Bella Hall, Justin Coyle, Cathy Harman, Tim Reid

B. Agenda - Approved

C. Minutes from March 14th Meeting - Last meeting's minutes were not available, table this item.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

A. 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) - no reports

3. REPORTS

A. Students (Student Council, non-action item) - Just Happened

- Walkathon March 20- student raised \$11,000, we recognized the grass valley mayor
 - Blood Drive Mach 22- we collected 107 pints and have been recognized as one of the consistent large volume donors in the state
 - Band Concert on March 27- included middle schools and was really cool, included some pixar music pieces
 - Unified Sports Day March 29- other schools were invited and special needs students partner up with athletes on teams and play several different games
 - Prom on april 6 was a success
 - Theme was under the stars, we had a turnout of almost 300 students, juniors did a fantastic job
 - Humanities love week this week so a lot of seniors are trying to spread happiness on campus
- Coming up this month
 - Executive Council and Link Crew applications for next year went out this week
 - 4/27-5/17 frosh and soph shoe drive fundraiser for their graduating classes
 - CAASPP is happening, a lot of kids are focused
 - Thank you to gold country kiwanis club for donating iPads as incentives for students to excel, Danielle Gonzales won the first one for being proficient or above on her test last year
 - NU is also giving away 1200 worth of lazy dog gift cards as incentives

- There will also be an ice cream social for students that take the test every day
- everyone is really excited about spring break next week
- National Honors Society is holding a trivia night 4/26 which all NU students and teachers are invited to attend
- Drama is going to New York
- Choir is going to the UK
- Lots of kids are getting ready for AP tests next month

B. Principal (non-action item) - testing is the big push right now. Last year we saw a jump in our test scores and we hope to continue that trend. Our next and final LCAP meeting is May 9. We have a lot going on around scheduling for next year. We had training today about how to create a master schedule in Synergy, our new Student Information System.

We have about 400 incoming Freshman enrolled for next year. We are grieving the loss of our Director of Pupil Services, Sean Manchester, so it's been a tough week or so. There is an interim person joining us the week after break to help us out until the position is posted and a new person is hired. This is hiring season and we are bringing some new staff on board.

C. WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges, non-action item) Next year we have our three year review, which means just a couple of people will come to check on our progress on our WASC goals. We still hope to get a schedule change in a year or so in order to incorporate an intervention period.

4. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS -

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Site Council Goal -Bella brought up the desire of the site council to see teachers posting grades more regularly. Last time we talked about the two systems (Synergy and Schoology) that teachers used and developing five questions students can ask teachers in order to get input on what contributes or deters them from posting grades every two weeks.

- 1) How do you communicate current grades with students and parents/guardians? (Schoology, Synergy, websites, etc.)
- 2) What are barriers to you posting grades every two weeks?
- 3) Is your gradebook weighted or unweighted?
- 4) What do you need to post grades every 2 weeks?

Tim will email department heads on 4/12 asking for the location of their department meetings that will occur on 4/22, letting the department chair know that a student rep from site council will be dropping in to ask them a few questions about posting grades.

Student reps will go to department meetings on April 22nd with a paper option and the Google link. Email Google form with questions ahead of time. Follow up with teachers who have not participated in the days following 4/22. Compile results to share at site council meeting on 5/9. Ideas for future steps:

If teachers would include where the grade in Synergy came from (if not within Synergy) it would be a good way to communicate format of grade recording (Schoology/paper format/Google classroom,teacher websites?) to the students and adults.

Students and parents can speak with the board about results of the survey.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Title 1 Budget (Mr. Reid) - Presented [2018-2019 Title 1 Budget Powerpoint](#)
Group approved the budget.

7. CLOSING

A. Next meeting is Thursday, May 9th, 2019 (4:00-5:30 pm J204)

8. ADJOURNMENT