

Nevada Union High School Site Council
Approved Minutes
Thursday, August 25, 2016
E-16
4:00 p.m.

Welcome: Junet Bedayn, Chairperson

Members present: Junet Bedayn, Dan Frisella, June Gilfillan, Carol Lee
Guests present: Kelsey Langel, Keri Kemble, Alicia Brott, Nolan Clark

1. PUBLIC MEETING

- A. Call to Order 4:02
- B. Agenda (Consent Approval)
- C. Minutes from the May 12, 2016 meeting

Add full name (Single Site Plan for Student Achievement) for acronym SSPSA under New Business B.

Moved by Dan, seconded by Junet to accept as corrected. Approved by all members present.

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)

Nolan announced that tonight is the fundraiser for the Chris Bishop family at Round Table Pizza in Grass Valley.

3. REPORTS

- A. Students (student council, non-action item)

Junet reported that clubs are starting up; Club Rush will be Sept. 23rd. Students are getting settled in their classes. Schedule changes are supposed to be completed by August 31st. There was an outdoor dance in the quad for the freshmen last week. An English class is planning to go to the Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, OR. A group of government students are fundraising to go to the Presidential inauguration in January. The Student Council retreat is coming up this weekend. Last Friday's welcome-back-to-school rally was very warm, amazing, and the freshmen were on fire. It was helpful that the alma mater was on a big banner everyone could read.

- B. Principal (non-action item)

The chromebook rollout has had a few hiccups but is exciting; the lines are long but students leave happy. Over the summer some staff attended Professional Learning Conferences in San Jose and Seattle, focused on better collaboration. CAifornia Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) scores are back and our Juniors showed a 15% increase [students who met or exceeded standards] in English Language Arts/Literacy (ELA), 16% in math over last year's scores. We still look for more improvement, but this is a

tribute to the teaching staff and effort put forth by the 2016 Juniors. We've been meeting to plan the 2016 Walkathon, to be held Sept. 23rd. It will be a minimum day featuring less time on the lower field after the walk, and more food and activities. The fundraising effort will kickoff next Monday, August 29th. A change in Walkathon fundraising this year is that donors can direct 50% of their contribution to the club, sport or program of their choice. Our Homecoming theme is "All of My Art"; it would be nice to incorporate this into the Walkathon too. We are in the process of a Federal Program Review of English Language Learners program, Compensatory Education (including Title I), Career Technical Education and Uniform Complaint procedures. We will also go through a Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) review this year. We will write our self study report this fall, and host the visiting committee in February. Focus groups made up of all stakeholders will meet this fall to give input toward the self study report. Dan thanked Junie for stepping in as our chairperson. The former chairperson, Luke Browning, has moved on to an Assistant Principal job at Marysville High School. Site Council currently has 2 open parent positions, 4 open teaching positions, a classified position and a non-teaching certificated position.

C. Local Control Accountability Plan Committee Report (non-action item)

The LCAP was approved in June. June commented that both the site and district LCAPs accurately reflect the input from the town hall meetings. This impacts how and where the district spends its money. We still strive to disseminate news to and receive feedback from outlying community members. It would be nice to look at the LCAP goals at the next meeting.

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. New members - need 2 students (Carol will generate Daily Diggins solicitation of interest) If more than 2 volunteer, we will have an election. Next meeting, when new people are attending, we will elect officers.

B. Walkathon Application from Mike Blake

Table until next week, as we don't have a quorum today

C. Title One Program & Budget Review

Dan presented the 2016-17 Title I budget of \$218,870. Site Council should evaluate this yearly. Dan explained that we use a Targeted Assistance model, spending money on students who qualify for Title I services (scoring 2 standard deviations below standards in reading, below grade level (Algebra 1) in math, 8th grade non-grads). Each item was discussed and clarified, and the scope and effectiveness of programs were discussed. No one has elected to use the transportation money over the past four years. We may be in the process of restructuring the SES program. A Title I Parent Night is held in October to inform families of services available. June's Intervention position has been working to develop more accurate data and track student progress (variance/change in GPA, participation in after-school tutoring, attendance, grades in support classes, reading assessments). We haven't gotten much response from surveys sent home to parents; Junie suggested we survey students while they're here at school (including mental health). We could also add an entry and exit survey to the summer Bridge class. Should we look at this (in terms of adjusting for '17-18 school year) in March? We can collect data between now and then, including 2015-16 expenditures.

D. Student Voice Project

The project is trying to come up with a way students can communicate with administration, and maybe staff, maybe through an online form, to express complaints and receive follow-up. We should further discuss this at the next meeting. Alicia suggested a comparison to a retail model, where a customer can rate a product, and receive a response from the company. An automatic response acknowledges receipt of the comment, followed by a possible action that might be taken, and thank you for submitting a comment. We'd have to be very careful if student or staff names are involved, and categorize input for transparency. Does this project need a sub-committee? We might want site representative from the teachers' union (NJUHSTA) involved.

E. Dress Code

There have been concerns that the dress code is not strict enough and not enforced consistently. Social Justice Club and administration rewrote this in the summer of 2015. They met again last year but came away with some differences. Students are hoping for more focus on respect, less on yoga pants and leggings; would like it to be more clear. Enforcement creates angst amongst staff too. There is some objection to students being called out of class for dress code issues. Maybe this could be the topic for a WASC focus group, or nestle it within the WASC culture group. It was suggested we explore how other high schools have handled it.

F. WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges) Review

What will bring parents out to participate? Social media, reach out through the Parent Club, all-call explaining what happens at the focus group meetings, have students give presentations in classes. We are thinking about hosting open forums in the SLH for students to come talk about issues during lunches.

6. Comments from Council members and public (non- action items)

7. CLOSING

A. Next meeting date set for Thursday, **September 15th**, at 4:00 p.m. in the Library Conference Room (consent approval) Bring your chromebook.

B. Future agenda items
Election of 2016-17 Site Council officers
Communication/central location for all minutes - ideas from Jill Sonnenberg
How to unite clubs
Title I budget review in March 2017
LCAP goals
Student Voice project

8. ADJOURNMENT 5:34

