

Nevada Union High School Site Council Agenda
Thursday, September 12, 2019
J204
4:00 p.m.

Welcome: Kelly Rhoden, Principal
Minutes: Fredrick Hamblin III

1. PUBLIC MEETING

- A. Call to Order - Called to order at 4:04
 - i. Introduce ourselves - Introductions by 13 members completed by 4:06, lasting 2 minutes.
 - ii. Requested that we bring a device to meetings so that we may be paperless - Discussed at 4:06
- B. Agenda (Consent Approval) - The agenda was moved to pass, seconded and approved by a majority at 4:08, lasting two minutes
- C. Minutes of the May 9, 2019 -Discussions started at 4:08, Discussion brought up about google form being sent out to teachers; recommendations have not been made up yet.
 - 1. Consistency for grades and what barriers are being met by teachers are goals within Site Council to offer teacher support.
 - 2. Comment on progress report: Confusion of grading periods and when to see grades.
 - 3. Weekly principal updates online show that the grades are posted on the 20th of September, 2019. This allows teachers to end the grading period on the 13th, and import grades for the next week.
 - 4. Comment on the google form about grade book weighted/ unweighted, is known by students and parents and guardians. A follow up question about how this information is known, possibly making this 2 questions to ask how parents and students know about weight in gradebook.
 - 5. Accountability was brought up about how teachers input grades, trying to clear confusion about grades in schoology. Conversation about schoology and synergy being merged. A conversation was had about how the sync between the two systems happens.
 - 6. Push for a discussion or a contract about grades being input. Bella updated the google form at 4:20; great response from the room. Moved to approve at 4:22, seconded and approved at 4:23.
 - Access via NUHS website

2. PUBLIC FORUM - Started at 4:23

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)

Important dates in counseling being updated online, brought up that this is under work, Kelly will work on it asap. Comment on summer about girls All star, the safety of softball girls and shotput and javelins(?). Possibly moving the shot put and javelin individuals to a different part, also issues with parking on the grass. Kelly has talked to them, issues have been addressed. Safety is an issue with javelins flying. This issue is being worked on, they have been addressed by Kelly. There is an axe that is an issue. The community needs to be supported but managed , thinking about fencing and safety issues.
Comment ended at 4:29

3. REPORTS

- A. Students (student council, non-action item) started at 4:29, Student council talked about their retreat and their goals for the campus. Involvement and integration. Activities and integration with other clubs and classes. Homecoming was brought up, the activities that classes can participate in such as hallway decorations, powderpuff, rally on friday, and thursday and friday night games, The end of the week will be a dance on saturday. Judging for teachers on monday the 23rd. PD day, teachers can come to judge, allowing to start the week off right. Talks about the video, adding goals, weekly videos for news and other segments. Video started at 4:33, lasting till 4:34. Kelly wants the videos to be on the website for the kids activities to be shared, such as the blood drive and others from the semester. Names do need to be tagged as a suggestion for career and educational futures. Daily diggins was brought up at 4:36, they have been rebranded and should be out next friday. Ended at 4:36
- B. Principal (non-action item) - Started at 4:36. The year has started great. WOW discussed about reconnecting students to the school. An overview about Kellys talks to the different classes and her expectations for them, good remarks on seniors and their energy. A good introduction to freshman, recap on the picture, the speaker. WOW is a great way to refocus, a positive thing for NU. The goals for school from Kelly and her staff are to focus on PLCs. PLC were expanded on and how teachers are on the same page with curriculum when asked by a parent. PLCs are important, relating to industry and doctors, how input is crucial and what we want for our students. Having teachers work together to approach student and lessons together in departments. This year we are moving to science and social studies while math and history are still improving. Avocations for a district wide initiative, PLCs across different schools. Who can Singleton classes such as Ag classes collaborate with, when they can collab with bear river. Question about district and their investment in PLCs, clarified about how the district is on board. Great comments from parents about back to school night how teachers are sharing the news. The second goal is student engagement. Next Thursday, a survey will be sent out to find out if students are connected to at least one adult/teacher on campus. Who are they connected to? How can we connect them to a teacher/coach to prevent students that slip through the cracks. Connecting students to programs and clubs to allow them to take advantage, preventing the boring cycle of the mundane. Is this mandatory?- A parent. This will be sent out during their home period, pulling students in to take it if they missed the survey, pushing for 100% completion of survey. Next goal was bridging the relationships between students, staff, teachers, and more to build respect and reminders to model good behavior. Positive interactions and the respect we expect back. These big initiatives are for the whole year. Ended at 4:50
- C. WASC (Western Association of Schools and Colleges - non-action item) Brought up at 4:50 . WASC was defined and how to view the plans. 6 year accreditation was given, the best that can be given, applause was given. The action plan is being made into posters that are in all classrooms that show main goals for the 6 years. Goals from site council and WASC were blended to allow the whole community to be on the same page. The 5 goals are what needs to be improved upon for the next 6 years and reached as a school. Goals were broken down and explained further. Vision and mission are brought up and what we want for our students and community. SLOs are brought up, being changed from SLRs(?). The SLOs are expanded upon and explained in regards to students and their skills and needs. The new furniture was brought up about

how the tables can be rearranged for free movement for changing learning environments. Chairs are brought up and how tall desks allow for students and adults to stand or use taller chairs. Health and GFSF are used to help students with physical, emotional, and mental health. Class of 2023 will have GFSF as their senior projects. Collective commitments are brought up, trying to achieve the 4 commitments every day to reach, and exceed goal 5. Math will have subs on September 16th, 2019, along with english having subs on September 17th, 2019. Science and Social science will begin October 2nd 2019, and October 3rd, 2019 respectively. District wide training on September 23rd, 2019 at NUHS. Question was brought up about identifying the needs of staff, This was accomplished by Kelly and her staff. The action plan was brought up, described as "the principal's job description" by Kelly. WASC self check up was brought up and the staff meeting on September 11th, 2019. Staff engagement was a topic, getting staff to mix and mingle to learn about others on campus. The next step is to build a new action plan for 2019/2020-2022(?). WASC committee visit will be on March 8-10th, 2020. A comment by Katie about how the WASC cycle is more natural and beneficial, compared to the previous years of visits. Is this meeting something to attend?- Question asked. Kelly wants this marked in our calendars as they visiting to talk to start the process and get packets and read reports to know what is done to be knowledgeable when approached by WASC. The 10th is the final day, and information will be shared. The 9th is a collaboration day to meet with departments and staff. March 11th is a minimum day. Data sites were shared and will be shared after meeting. The dashboard was explained and talked about our engagement to improve scores in areas such as suspension rates. Peer court was brought up and how judges are being approached and how interest is shown. Can it be a retired judge? Question from a parent. Yes it can - Kelly. The WASC overview was completed at 5:22

4. COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

Started at 5:22, questions are open up now. " Are students who come in as sophomores, do they participate." Kelly brings up how the decision was made that the freshman were the cutoff. In December, Sophomore english teachers will be approached about the module that relates to the 10 year plan. Junior year will get history teacher who readjust the 10 year plan. The senior year english teachers will take module 3, teaching about resumes, scholarships, letters of recommendation, and other documents that students can use after they leave NU for their future. Trying to find out what they got from their experience and time at NU. The student member applauded that the freshman have a great resource. "Is this done through pearson, can parents do activities with students for 10 year plan?" Kelly shows off the GFSF website for parents to look at when home and how to be proactive in their students education. AG GFSF brought up about keeping students connected due to a loss of a class. Ended at 5:33. Motion to adjourn called by Katie Alling, seconded and approved at 5:34.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Role of Site Council
- B. Overview of Action Plan
Mission, Vision, SLO's, Commitments
- C. Site Goals Overview

7. CLOSING

A. Next meeting date set for Thursday, October 10, 2019 (4:00 - 5:30 PM) J204

8. ADJOURNMENT