

Granite Bay High School
School Site Council



Wednesday, January 20, 2021

4:30pm – 6:00pm

Zoom Meeting (info below)

This meeting is open to the public

Minutes

1. Call to order

- The meeting was called to order at 4:36pm by Paige Watson. All members were present except Izabella Hillman. Phoenix Johnson left the meeting early due to RSVLA Back to School Night.
- The group shared what has been the best part of 2021.
- There was a glitch with the original zoom link, but we quickly switched to a new link.

2. Election of Vice Chairperson

- Our Chair graduated early. Paige Watson moved from Vice Chair to Chair.
- Lisa Stanley nominated Sophia Hickey as Vice Chair. Jennifer Leighton seconded the motion. There was a unanimous vote to elect Sophia Hickey as Vice Chair.

3. Approval of November Minutes

- Stephanie May motion to approve the November minutes. Renate Felsner seconded the motion. There was a unanimous vote to approve the November minutes.

4. RJUHSD Econ Pilot Plan (Rath)

- Jason Rath presented on the new Economics Pilot program.
- The current Economics book was written in 1998-1999. The district is in the process of getting a new book through TCI. It is more interactive than the current curriculum.
- The district team has looked at a variety of books. Most of them weren't as engaging or exciting. The group has decided to pilot a program based on the TCI book.

- The TCI book also offers an interactive website to go alongside it's curriculum.
- The TCI book also has great teaching resources on how to differentiate instruction, how to be a culturally responsive classroom, basic toolkits, etc.
- Mr. Rath is not going to use this with his AP class as they have their own textbook, but he will be piloting some of the material with his AP students after their AP test.
- Mr. Rath advised that this textbook offers the engagement piece that most students need. Students can access the textbook at home online whenever they want.
- A parent commented that they liked the fact that it's online and can access information easier than a regular textbook.
- It was asked if the district has to buy the hardcopy book? Yes. The Williams Act requires this and some students need/prefer to have the physical book. We would also worry about the equity piece for those students that don't have technology/internet access.
- It was asked if any of the other schools are piloting other programs/books for economics. No, the team met and chose that this is the best option.
- It was asked if the whole district will have the same program? Yes, once this is fully approved, the district will all use the same book.
- It was asked if the district purchases these books or if the school needs to purchase them. The district will be purchasing the books.

5. GBHS Safety Plan (Stanley)

- Lisa Stanley summarized the Ed Code policy regarding school safety.
- The safety team met on December 3rd to review our plan. Please email Meagan Swartz if you want to be a part of the safety committee.
- The notable and important changes to this year's plan are updates to the MERT protocols, command center responsibilities, and our new COVID prevention plans.
- MERT is our medical emergency response plan. These protocols are how we would provide medical care to an ill/injured student or staff member.
- The Command System Responsibilities maps out who is responsible for what if there was an emergency on campus. We needed to update for our new personnel.
- The COVID Prevention Plan is a guide from the district. It was updated in December and talks about PPE, properly fitted masks, etc.
- The newest COVID guidelines talk about students needing to be 4 feet apart instead of the old guidelines that discuss 6 feet when practical. Mrs. Leighton advised that the district and the board are working on this. We would be opening ourselves up to litigation if we don't follow these guidelines.

- These guidelines seem to be ever-changing. This component of the safety plan will change as new information becomes available.
- Mrs. Stanley advised that the safety committee has already approved this plan. If anyone wants to review the full version, it is available in the front office.
- It was asked if the plan is modified, will it be brought back for approval. Yes, there are likely to be many changes as we move forward with new state guidelines for COVID.
- Renate Felsner motioned to approve the Safety Plan. Christy Nihart seconded the motion. There was a unanimous approval of the GBHS Safety Plan.

6. EL Update (Hernandez)

- At the last ELAC meeting, two fathers attended which was a first. There was also a parent with their daughter present to help translate.
- One issue that came up was communication for Back to School Night.
- Both fathers had tested positive for COVID and they shared their experiences. One parent didn't experience any symptoms. The other parent had a hard time breathing, but did not have to be hospitalized. The group found it interesting how this virus impacts people very differently. The parents wanted more information on COVID, testing sites, etc.
- It was asked if these parents had concerns about students returning to school. No, not really. The parents believe that their students need to be on campus.
- Overall, there were a lot of good conversations and discussions.
- Mr. Hernandez will work with our nurse regarding getting more COVID resources for our parents.

7. Principal's Report

- [Single School Plan Goal Review](#)
 - i. Mrs. Leighton partnered the group to look at each goal with the goal to discuss and complete the google form questionnaire. The groups will have more time at the next meeting to discuss, review and complete the form.
 1. Goal 1 - Christy Nihart & Sophia Hickey
 2. Goal 2 - Lisa Stanley & Renate Felsner
 3. Goal 3 - Daniel Hernandez & Irene Richard
 4. Goal 4 - Stephanie May, Meagan Swartz & Izabella Hillman
 5. Goal 5 - Michelle Restani & Paige Watson
- Check-in regarding Spring term
 - i. Mrs. Leighton asked the group to talk about their experiences so far during the spring semester.

- ii. One parent said having her children back on campus has been a blessing. They are happy to be there. Being back has brought back pride and confidence back to them. Mrs. Leighton asked if they think the newness will wear off. This parent believed it would carry for a long time.
- iii. One student said their mood was better and they are much happier. They are more positive. Being around people is nice. They were originally a little worried, but they felt safe. This student did notice a couple students that weren't wearing a mask, but the teacher reminded them and they complied.
- iv. One parent liked that the district let students choose to zoom. It was a good compromise. It is great that the teachers were willing to do this.
- v. One teacher said being around students again, watching and interacting with them has been amazing. There are definitely some challenges with teaching via zoom and in person. There is a learning curve, but ultimately they are happy to have the students back on campus.
- vi. One student said it's a lot easier being back. They like the social aspect. They had lost some motivation and started to fall behind with assignments. Being back has helped them be held accountable.
- vii. One parent has been keeping their student home, but they are ready for them to go back. The school is doing the best they can with the parameters they are given.
- viii. One parent said as long as students know how to protect themselves, it's good.
- ix. One teacher said they've missed interacting with students. It has been reinvigorating to get back to what they got into this profession for. It's a lot to juggle, but they keep moving forward. Hopefully we are through the hard part and there are no more curves, but we will survive if there are.
- x. From an admin and former teacher, it has been interesting to see both sides. There has been so much unknown and constant regrouping to make everything work. There are a lot of plates to juggle in the air.
- xi. From a support staff perspective, we have been blessed to have amazing teachers to help with sub coverage. There are different subs for different types of absences. It's been a challenge but we've been making it work. We've also not had as many challenges as some of the other school sites in regards to the amount of coverage needed.
- xii. Mrs. Leighton is looking to streamline the quarantine letters. They can take over a huge chunk of the day depending on the amount of students that need to be quarantined.
- xiii. One parent asked Mrs. Leighton to thank the teachers for them.

8. Public Comment

- There were no members of the public present at tonight's meeting.

9. Adjournment

- Michelle Restani motioned to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie May seconded the motion. There was a unanimous approval to end the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 5:58pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 10, 2021 @ 4:30pm

Voting Members

Parents: Christy Nihart, Renate Felsner, Irene Richard

Students: Izabella Hillman, Paige Watson, Sophia Hickey

Staff: Jennifer Leighton, Lisa Stanley, Phoenix Johnson, Stephanie May, Michelle Restani, Meagan Swartz, Daniel Hernandez

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