

Sahuaro School Council

Meeting Date: September 26, 2023

Meeting Location: Zoom 835 4407 2830

Members present	Cara Grasso Roberto Estrella Carol Rodriguez Jackie Krieg Danielle Kinter Maria Saavedra Seth Gustafsson Diego Del Villar	Facilitator/Teacher Administration Administration Teacher Teacher Parent Student Student
Members absent	Colleen Bradley TBA TBA TBA	Classified Parent Parent Community Rep

I. Called to order at 4:00pm by Cara Grasso

II. Call to the audience

DISCUSSION NOTES	No one called to audience
CONCLUSIONS	

III. Reports

- A. Principal Report
 - a. Shift focus this year to elevating standards for conduct, learning, and performance.
 - b. New Code of Conduct
 - c. Tardies, attendance, NC warning letters, roaming campus, PIC room, cameras, fights, alcohol, tobacco, and drugs were discussed.
 - d. PD focus is on the works of John Hattie to drive discussions regarding effective teaching strategies.
 - e. All teachers should be utilizing Canvas in their classrooms.
 - f. Walk-throughs are happening throughout the school. The goal is to walk through each classroom once every 2 weeks.
 - g. Eleot is the walk-through measuring tool being used which measures the engagement of students.

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- h. Eleot data was discussed. Want to be around a 3 for each category.
- i. IXL Diagnostics showed students are far below grade level in math and ELA across 9th, 10th and 11th grades.
- j. Letter grades come out in October. We will probably be a C.
- B. Faculty Report
 - a. Language Arts is incorporating silent reading on Fridays.
 - b. Student attendance is better.
 - c. Not as many students in the hallways during class time.
 - d. PIC room is helping with behavior.
 - e. Grades seem to be better. Less F's.
 - f. PE is seeing more students dressing out and passing classes.
 - g. Weight training has a structured lifting program that allows students a lot of autonomy.
 - h. The Science wing boys' bathroom is having fewer problems than last year.
- C. Student Council Report
 - a. Prepping for Homecoming and making committees.
 - b. Planning for winter formal
 - c. Student council members may need badges to be recognized during 2nd lunch as they are going in and out of buildings and to Lori when putting up posters.
 - d. Student council members hope for understanding from teachers as they are very busy with various activities.
 - e. Freshmen Social was a success however there were fewer students than last year.
 - f. Need a better way to relay information and upcoming events to students, especially freshmen.
- D. Parent Report None
- E. Community Report-none

IV. Action Items

ITEM TITLE	Election of Site Council Facilitator
DISCUSSION NOTES	Cara Grasso was nominated

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RESOLUTION

Moved By: Roberto Estrella Seconded By: Carol Rodriguez Vote: Unanimous 8-0

ITEM TITLE	Election of Secretary
DISCUSSION NOTES	Colleen Bradley was nominated
RESOLUTION	
Moved By: Roberto Estrella Seconded By: Cara Grasso Vote: Unanimous 8-0	

ITEM TITLE	Participation Fees for Extracurricular activities up to \$1,000.00 for FY 23-24
DISCUSSION NOTES	These monies would be for those students who have a financial hardship and did not qualify for a full EEF scholarship to pay for their FY 23-24 participation fees for Fine Arts/Interscholastic activities. To qualify the student would first need to have their parent/guardian complete the EEF scholarship application. If unable to qualify for the EEF scholarship, then their parent/guardian would complete the TUSD Waiver Form in order to receive this scholarship opportunity.
RESOLUTION	
Moved By: Carol Rodriguez Seconded By: Seth Gustafsson Vote: Unanimous 8-0	

ITEM TITLE	AP Test Fees for up to \$4,000.00 for FY 23-24
DISCUSSION NOTES	These monies would be for students who have a financial hardship and cannot pay for the AP exams. Students will pay a \$40 deposit and if they cannot pay the remaining balance, they will fill out a form to receive the remaining \$60 from this fund. Students on free and reduced lunch do not qualify for these funds as they receive free AP testing. Students with extreme financial hardship can qualify for help with the \$40 deposit with administration/designee approval if they first complete the application for free or reduced lunch and do not qualify.
RESOLUTION	
Moved By: Jackie Krieg	

Seconded By: Diego Del Villar Vote: Unanimous 8-0

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ITEM TITLE	Coaching Stipend of \$2000 for boys basketball.
DISCUSSION NOTES	Item was amended to "Coaching Stipend of \$2000 for boys' basketball as long as the number of coaches remain equal with girls' basketball. If this causes them to be unequal, Site Council does not support this item. The amendment was moved by: Roberto Estrella, Seconded By: Seth Gustafsson, Vote: Unanimous 7-0
RESOLUTION	
Moved By: Roberto Estrella Seconded By: Diego Del Villar Vote: Unanimous 7-0	

ITEM TITLE	Sponsor Stipend of \$3000 for Robotics Club.
DISCUSSION NOTES	2 sponsors will split the stipend.
RESOLUTION	
Moved By: Carol Rodriguez Seconded By: Jackie Krieg Vote: Unanimous 7-0	

ITEM TITLE	Coaching Stipend of \$4000 for eSport team.
DISCUSSION NOTES	2 coaches will split this stipend. eSports is an AIA sport, however, Interscholastics does not pay coaches. Would like to attract different types of athletes and provide different activities for students to be a part of.
RESOLUTION	
Moved By: Roberto Estrella Seconded By: Seth Gustafsson Vote: Unanimous 6-0 1 abstention	

V. Discussion/information items

ITEM TITLE	Morning Announcements Timing
DISCUSSION NOTES	Students do not listen when they are at the end of class, however, they were disruptive to instructional time when they were at the beginning of the period. Some teachers are still teaching lessons during morning announcements.
RESOLUTION NEED MORE IDE	IC WILL HAVE TO AGREE TO ANY CHANGES TO ANNOUNCEMENTS. AS TO MAKE ANNOUNCEMENTS MORE EFFECTIVE.

ITEM TITLE	Future financial support to replenish our school's calculators reserved for
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DISCUSSION NOTES	Lost approximately 300 calculators during the pandemic in 2020. Calculators are available online, therefore we may not need as many. AP Calculus will need graphing calculators. This will not be an immediate fix, it would need to happen over the course of 3 years based on the cost of calculators. Can the math department agree on one calculator to use?
RESOLUTION	NO RESOLUTION AT THIS TIME

ITEM TITLE	
DISCUSSION NOTES	
RESOLUTION	

- **VI.** Submission of items for next agenda.
 - Next meeting is Tuesday, November 14 at 4 PM in Zoom
 - Morning announcements
 - Boy Basketball Coaching Numbers
- **VII.** The meeting was adjourned at 5:26pm by Cara Grasso