Minutes - DRAFT
September 9, 2019

Attending:
Principal: Kathie Laurence
Staff Reps: Olga Celis, Tara Firenzi, Kristina Granlund-Moyer, Marcus Jamison, Derek Johanso, Josh Little, Christina Woznicki
Student Reps: Arunim Agarwal, Ethan Liang, Erin Shaotran, Hanna Suh
Parent Reps: Glynn Edwards, Mudita Jain, Anne Marie Hallada, Erica Agiewich
Visitors: Paul Sakuma
Absent:

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm by Kathie Laurence.

Open Forum
Mudita Jain addressed the Site Council regarding Seniors having to sign in for FLEX with possibly an unrelated teacher -- for some of them, it was a hike across campus, wasting precious minutes. Administration responded that the system will no longer be required by 9/11. She also brought up a question regarding the site council composition, and whether we should invite a student rep from Special Ed to these meetings.

OLD BUSINESS
The minutes of the May 2019 meeting were approved as distributed. Glynn Edwards moved for approval, Olga Celis seconded. All approved.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Introductions. Ethan Liang (Freshman Student Rep), Anne Marie Hallada (parent rep), and Erica Agiewich (parent rep), Tara Firenzi (Teacher Rep and WASC co-ordinator), Marcus Jamison (Teacher Rep) were welcomed.
2. Site Council dates for the year were scheduled: October 7, November 4, December 2, January 13, February 10, March 9, April 13, May 11.

Decisions:
   a. We discussed and agreed that we would have two data nights instead of one. The two data nights are December 2 and April 13.
   b. We also agreed that we would no longer have an evening site council (other than the data nights) -- traditionally held to facilitate attendance by parents who work, in the past few years we have seen no visitors on the evening meetings.
   c. Mudita/Glynn will alternately take notes and attend the principal’s agenda setting meeting.
3. Ms. Firenzi and Ms. Laurence described the 18 month long WASC process that the school is launching into.
4. Constituency Representatives’ Reports:
   a. PRINCIPAL’S REPORT by Kathie Laurence:
The school is reading “Grading Smarter not Harder” in preparation for Standards Based Grading. Current objective is to have it implemented by 2022.

Mudita Jain brought up that parents are concerned about Standards Based Grading and the sooner we hold an information meeting, the better.

b. TEACHER/STAFF REPORT:
   i. Josh Little talked about a whole course re-design for Biology, and warned that if we hear that Biology is a little “disorganized” this year, that is the reason.
   ii. The science department is working on the Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS).
   iii. Olga Celis to send out snack sign ups.

c. PTSA REPORT by Glynn Edwards
   i. Online school packet went well.
   ii. Mudita Jain brought up a concern regarding data on how it did for first generation families -- how do we follow up on this?
   iii. Glynn Edward wanted to know about our budget this year, and what our grant allocation would be. The concern is that we should start sooner on it this year than the last.

d. SEC/STUDENT REPORT by Arunim
   i. Back to school dance went well, had a homecoming week theme reveal (trip to Costco), senior conferences are in full swing, freshman elections have already been held, anticipating for Gunn sidelands (music festival), the wellness fair (for resources available on campus), and club day (9/14).
   ii. There is active consideration for how to spread awareness of the SEC to the students -- perhaps a packet for freshman?

Next Site Council meeting is on October 7 at 4:00pm in Staff Lounge.
Snacks provided by: <names>

Ethan Liang moved to adjourn the meeting, Glynn seconded the motion, and meeting was adjourned at 5:30.