

# School Governance Council Minutes

November 2, 2016

**Members in Attendance:** Tim Corrigan, Kathy Smith, Matt Mihordea, Kyleigh Slocum, Dorsey Sammataro, Dilip Tunki, Charles Thomas, Holly Bonvissuto, Francesca Dellasala, Harry Traub; 7 voting members present of 9 possible voting members. Others in attendance: Lee Keller.

Meeting was facilitated by Kathy Smith, and it was called to order at 3:50 PM.

Matt Mihordea made a motion to approve the agenda; Kyleigh Slocum seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.

Kathy Smith made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 5th, 2016 meeting with no changes; Dorsey Sammataro seconded it, and the motion passed unanimously.

## **Principal's Report**

The first 12 weeks of the semester just ended and progress reports will be sent out in a few days.

The CCRPI report is expected to be released in the next few days. Our graduation rate went down 1% to 94%, but it is still near the top of the district. We expect our CCRPI score to increase overall. Georgia Milestones scores were especially high for Algebra and 11th grade literature. Mr. Corrigan will present the report to SGC after it's released.

Advisement is going well, but there are a few issues that need to be worked out. We are gathering feedback from students and teachers. Some seed fund money is still available for guest speakers.

Senior night was a great success. Students displayed maturity, good sportsmanship, and social consciousness.

Scheduling for the new school year starts in January and Mr. Corrigan will present information regarding scheduling to SGC at an upcoming meeting.

Mr. Corrigan is conducting a weekly anonymous survey of the teachers about what is going well and not well at CHS. He is getting overwhelming positivity from the teachers regarding the students, both academically and in terms of behavior.

## **RFFs and Seed Funds**

The physics RFF was rejected due to concerns about not including middle school physical science credit toward graduation. The science department and administration are going to try a solution that doesn't require an RFF. We will drop Physical Science from our list of course offerings and introduce a few Physics sections that are taught with a conceptual emphasis. This will offer better preparation for

college science courses due to the increased rigor of Physics compared to Physical Science. It will also increase the percentage of on-level students taking rigorous courses.

The professional development RFF was approved. We need to consider alignment of PD days with Taylor Road Middle School. Kathy Smith suggested a joint PD day with TRMS to work on literacy concerns and other vertical teaming issues. Matt Mihordea made a motion to put this RFF up for public comment, Charles seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

### **Seed Funds**

Our seed fund request for a greenhouse was given the official go-ahead to proceed to the next step. The county expressed some concern that the cost of power and water for operation were not included in the seed fund estimate. Options were discussed on how to lower this cost, but initial estimates seem to be that the cost will be low. The county also expressed concern about the location and distance from the main school building as both of these details could increase the costs substantially. Our first priority is to call an electrician and a plumber to look at where the best location will be. The Budget Committee is researching various options for construction.

### **Additional Comments**

Kathy Smith suggested that we start next semester with a focus on gathering data for the new strategic plan.

The Outreach and Budget Committees will meet immediately after today's SGC meeting.

### **Adjournment and Next Meeting**

Holly Bonvissuto made a motion to adjourn; Dorsey Sammataro seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 4:24PM.

### **Dates for Upcoming Meetings**

December 7, 2016 at 3:50 in A101