



University City High School
 6949 Genesee Avenue, San Diego CA 92122

SITE GOVERNANCE TEAM (SGT) MEETING

Date: 12/8/21

Location: Virtual via Zoom

Meeting Minutes

(Approved at the 2/9/22 SGT Meeting)

Members present:

	UCHS Staff		Parent Reps		Student Reps
X	Mike Paredes (Principal)	X	Chris Banta	X	Sheehan Chowdhury
X	Kelsey Bradshaw (Certificated)	X	Ruth Busch	X	Sarah Shinta
X	Elizabeth Frohoff (Certificated)	X	Andrea Lehman		
X	Jennifer Huszar (Certificated)				
X	Delia Martin (Certificated)				
X	Marie Byrd (Classified)				

Other staff/guests present: Garrett Ashman

CALL TO ORDER

Time: 4:35PM. Principal Paredes called the meeting to order. Introductions were made.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

SGT BUSINESS / APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Minutes from the 11/9/21 Meeting were reviewed. Liz Frohoff motioned to approve the minutes. Andrea Lehman seconded. All in favor.
- Selection of SGT Chair
 - Sheehan Chowdhury volunteered to chair. Kelsey Bradshaw volunteered to step in as co-chair when needed. Motion to appoint the two members to this position was approved. All in favor

- Are there any additional roles to consider for this group?
- Review of Constitution and By-laws. Review and vote at next meeting

INFORMATIONAL ITEM: STUDENT PRINCIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SPAC) REVIEW

SPAC Review

Student Rep Sheehan Chowdhury shared at the last meeting they discussed the topic of mental health. Focus was on addressing the needs and identifying supports/resources that might be available.

- Some students feel a lack of support or understanding by teachers or parents.
- Students shared that teachers also need mental health support.

Suggestions made by students during SPAC:

- Teachers should give students flexible assignment deadlines.
- Give work that is relevant to the lesson, not busy work.
- Allow for a 5 day grace period.
- Provide trainings for teachers to understand and better support students' mental health.
- Conduct teacher evaluation surveys through the wellness committee and ADL.
- Offer parent trainings on how to identify concerns and be able to discuss and support student mental health.
- Use the District's 24/7 Hotline.

BUSINESS ITEM 1: GENDER-NEUTRAL RESTROOMS/NON-BINARY LOCKER ROOM UPDATE

- Signage installed to 2 single restrooms near gym and sand volleyball courts
- 1 gender neutral for students
- 1 gender neutral for staff
- Doors will remain unlocked at this time
- Are near gym team room will be used as gender neutral space
- It has lockers and restrooms
- Students are starting to use these restrooms/spaces
- There is little to cost in making these modifications. Most of the work is being addressed by our site custodial staff.

BUSINESS ITEM 2: COMMUNITY COLLEGE COURSES: NEW OFFERINGS AND CHANGES

Current Offerings:

- English 101 to Music 103 (Senior English/Vapa Credit)
- Math 150 to Math 151 (College Calculus)
- Math 252 to Math 254 (Linear Algebra)
- Admin Justice 101 to Admin Justice 102 (Elective)
- Health 101 to Psych 101 (Elective)
- Business 100 to Marketing 100 (Elective)
- Personal Growth 120 to Communication 103 (Elective)

New Offerings:

- History of the US, Black Perspective 140B to Music 103 (US history Credit & Ethnic Studies/Vapa Credit)
- English 101 to Principles of Sociology 101 (Senior English/Elective Credit)
- Personal Growth 130 to Communications 103 (Elective)

Taking these courses give students a year-long experience in a college class. The new courses will be offered in addition to current courses. Changes being made are to the sequencing of courses and not replacement of courses, except for Personal Growth 120, which will be replaced with the new offering, Personal Growth 130. If the community college requires us to remove a current course, it would be Criminal Justice due to low student interest.

Would the new course, History of the US from a Black Perspective decrease enrollment for our site's history teachers? Is there an option for our history teachers to include the curriculum to their classes? Adding the course should not impact or change FTE allocations and might help free up some of our teachers' schedules, the ones that are taking on added electives.

Feedback from students in SPAC regarding the change in sequence were favorable with all members in support, except for a few that abstained from voting on the topic.

Ms. Bradshaw also shared information about Dual Credit Courses for SDUSD, the Miramar Course Catalog, and Assist.

Ruth Busch motioned to change the sequencing of the community college courses as described above. Chris Banta seconded. All in favor except for 1 member who abstained.

BUSINESS ITEM 3: STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH

Students shared that mental health is an issue that sometimes gets overlooked. What is the school's role for perpetuating a mental health crisis, and what resources can be provided?

The District allocates 4 counselors for UCHS based on enrollment and our site funds a 5th counselor; however, they are not specifically trained in the area of mental health. Having a mental health clinician on campus 5 days a week would benefit as follows:

- Students can receive free mental health services
- Providing staff trainings
- Might allow for bringing in student clinicians to support more students

How can this need be supported?

- Request to use Covid Funds that have been provided for school reopenings.
- Suggestion for our SGT team to present this need to the Board
- Look for other funding sources
- Partner with organizations like UCSD to bring in interns
- Appoint a staff on campus to lead PDs on this topic

Ms. Frohoff motioned to recommend allowing for a 5 day grace period for completing assignments. Sheehan Chowdhury seconded. All in favor.

Ruth Busch motioned to recommend that SGT present a request to the Board to use Covid funding for mental health services. Another member seconded. All were in favor.

ROUND TABLE

Members agreed to the following dates for future SGT meetings:

- Wednesday, 2/9/21 at 4:30PM
- Wednesday, 3/9/21 at 4:30PM
- Wednesday, 4/13/21 at 4:30PM
- Wednesday, 5/11/21 at 4:30PM

Agenda items for next meeting:

- School Site Safety Plan will be presented by VP Antwon Lincoln
- Sexual Harassment Policy/Protocol (follow-up)
 - District 24/7 Student Hotline
- Mental Health supports/concerns-students and staff (follow-up)
- Standards Based Grading
- Modifications to School Bell Schedule
- Gun Safety/Safety on Campus

NEXT MEETING DATE

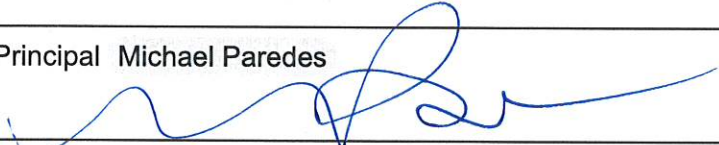
Wednesday, 2/9/22/21 at 4:30PM via Zoom

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:05PM

Signed by :

SGT Chair Sheehan Chowdhury	Date : 12/8/21	
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Principal Michael Paredes 	Date : 12/8/21
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Minutes prepared by : M. Byrd