



AGENDA
Regular Meeting
Thursday, October 9, 2008
In the Vail High School Conference Room

Regular Meeting

- 1. **Call to Order** *if U*
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - B. Approval of Minutes
 - C. Reports
 - * Member Reports
 - * Administrative Reports

D. Call to the Public
 Consideration and discussion of comments and concerns from the public. Those wishing to address the council as a result of public comment will be limited to the Chairperson directing members to study the matter or rescheduling the matter for future consideration or decision at a later date. Public comments are limited to 3 minutes. (Acknowledgement of Public Requests to Speak) The Council desires viewpoints of Parents Staff Students and considers the responsible presentation of the viewpoints to be viable to the efficient operation of the school. Any individual desiring to address the council shall inform the Council at this time. Comments and questions may deal only with topics on the agenda of the meeting.

E. Recognitions
 Staff, Students, and or members of the community may be recognized at this time. Special announcements may be presented at this time.

2. **Consent Agenda** **ACTION**

All items listed below are consent matters and will be considered by one motion at this time. There will be no discussion of consent items. Any council member may remove an item from the consent agenda by request. All items not accepted and approved, as part of the consent agenda will be considered individually.
 Field trip Requests -

- 3. **Old Business**
 - A. Enrollment Summary INFORM
 - B. VHS Relocation INFORM
 - C. 301 Goals ACTION
 - D. Meeting Dates ACTION

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- 4. **New Business**
 - A. Joint Site Council Meeting INFORM
 - B. T-Shirts ACTION
 - C. Photographer ACTION

5. **Adjournment** *4:55* **ACTION**



ANNOTATED AGENDA
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2. Consent Agenda

ACTION

Background:

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Recommendation: For council to approve the consent agenda as presented.

3. Old Business

A. Enrollment Summary

INFORM

Background:

Mr. Barger will present the council an update on student enrollment.

Recommendation:

None at this time: Information item.

B. VHS Relocation Update

INFORM

Background:

Mr. Barger will present to the council an update on the relocation of VHS.

Recommendation:

None at this time: Information and discussion item.

C. 301 Goals

ACTION

Background:

Mr. Barger will update the council on 301 Goals that were presented to the Governing Board.

Recommendation:

The site council approves the four 301 goals for the 2008-2009 school year as presented.

D. Meeting Dates

ACTION

Background:

Mr. Barger will present to the council dates for future meetings.

Recommendation:

The site council to approve dates as presented.

4. New Business

A. Joint Site Council Meeting

ACTION

Background:

Mr. Barger will present the council with date and time and location of joint meeting.

Recommendation:

Council to approve date, time and location as presented.

B. T-Shirt

ACTION

Background:

Mr. Barger will present to the council T-Shirts for VIIS.

Recommendation:

The council wear their shirts to show school spirit.

C. Photographer

ACTION

Background:

Mr. Barger will present to the Council information on a photographer to senior portraits.

Recommendation:

Site Council to approve the photographer as presented.

5. Adjournment

ACTION

MINUTES



MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Thursday, September 4, 2008
In the Vail High School Computer Lab

Regular Meeting

1. Call to Order

Mr. Sorensen called the meeting to order at 4:18 pm.

A. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge was lead by Mr. Sorensen

B. Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes. First meeting of the school year.

C. Reports

*** Member Reports**

No member reports

*** Administrative Reports**

Mr. Barger reported up to speed what is happening this school year. Academic Probation is off and running. Last school year we had 22 students fall under 2.0. The next check will be at the fall break. The target will be students that are below 2.0.

Mr. Barger also reported the District Policy on Raising Expectation. Student attendance needs to be at 90%. Students that have 7 absences in one class may lose credit in that class. That is 2 weeks to miss in one class. There is an appeal process student's can go through to regain that credit. The policy reads 7 to 13 absences but we are trying to set the bar and make students more accountable. The more school they miss the lower GPA they will have. One problem we have had in the past is that students do not get credit in advisory base. This year each grade level will have something they will be working on but not the seniors. Seniors will be working on their senior project. Freshman will be working on hard skills, such as how to take notes, how to study and take test. Sophomores will be working on soft skills. Prepare for job interviews, how to dress, shake hands and other skills. Juniors will be working on how to research different colleges other than just Pima and the UofA, colleges they have never heard of. Research careers.

Mr. Barger also talked about how Vail High School is sending our news letters bi-weekly via email. Mrs. Kaparoff sends information out to parents via email. The district is going in the direction of Beyond Text Books and is looking for parents to donate tax credit dollars to help fund this project.

Mr. Barger spoke of the advertisement on TV and Radio for the VDLP (Vail distance Learning Program). The goal is to enroll 5 students full time. This would pay for the advertising costs. We have enrolled 2 full time students and 3 more will be enrolling in the next day or so. Mrs. Wood asked Mr. Barger the number of students to run the school. Mr. Barger explained the bottom: bare bone would be 135 students. The top would be 160. Having the VDLP we can use as a supplement. With having the number of full time students in VDLP we used to hire two new teachers. We average just about 145 students.

D. Call to the Public

Ms. Doster to speak on an issue. Mr. Sorensen asked Ms. Doster to report on her matter. After Ms. Doster explained her reason for being here Mr. Sorensen tabled her discussion for the new business.

E. Recognitions

Mr. Roberts recognized the girl's volleyball team for a good start to the season. They won over SSA. Mr. Barger recognized the entire staff for a wonderful start of the school year. Everything went smooth and students and new staff are adjusting well.

Mr. Barger recognized parents for their help over the summer. Mrs. Kaparoff sent out an email asking for parent volunteer's to help with miscellaneous jobs around the school such as painting, shampooing carpets, sanding tables, running wire for the new intercom system. Mr. Barger was very pleased with the turn out and the parent support.

Mr. Sorensen recognized the site council for taking the time out of their day to be a part of the site council. It is a great opportunity to serve on the site council.

2. Consent Agenda

ACTION

Field trips Motioned to approve consent agenda by Mr. Ogden and seconded by Mrs. Wood.

3. Old Business

A. Site Council Responsibilities

INFORM

Mr. Barger explained to the council there was Roberts Rule of Order in their packet along with bylaws and portal call. Mr. Barger asked if there were any questions and there were none.

B. Enrollment Summary

INFORM

Mr. Barger shared with the council that we are currently at 146 with 32 freshman, 37 sophomores, 44 juniors and 33 seniors with one junior graduating early. We are short on the freshman class, would like to be at 42. We had an over load of foreign exchange students. We have 3 this year, one from Thailand, Germany and China. We are looking at getting two more. When we take in a student from another country we will either put them in a sophomore or junior class. They are required to take English and US History. VDLP has 39 full time students and two more enrolling. Mr. Sorensen asked about taking in foreign exchange students and Mr. Letcher asked about tuition if the student pays. Mr. Barger explained to the council that they are technically not foreign exchange because we do not have an I17 form. We have tried in the past but have been rejected. So the students are enrolled like a regular student. We do get funding for them as long as they are here the 40th and 100th day. Mr. Barger also explained that we do not graduate a foreign exchange student.

C. Staffing

INFORM

Mr. Barger shared with the council a list of new staff for the 2008-2009 school year. Mr. Bill Baggesen is a full time employee with Raytheon as an engineer and teaches 1/5 Calculus. Mrs. Donna Misciagna took the place of Mr. Hilliker for Algebra and Geometry and came to us from Old Vail Middle School. Mr. Arlo Ogden did his student teaching here last year and is now a 2/5 teacher teaching Government this is a new position. Mr. Chris Still is teaching English and came to us from Corona Foothills Middle School. He is taking a few classes from Mrs. Peters who wanted to go to 3/5. Mrs. Misty Warren took the place of Mrs. Sheehy in our Special Education department. Mr. Larry Rice which is a new position, he teaches Physics, Engineering and Robotics and also is a grant writer. Two of these positions are being paid from the VDLP.

D. VHS Relocation Update

INFORM

Mr. Barger informed the council the planning committee for VHS has been working on design, hiring of the architect and the construction company. We will be just about 1 mile from where we are now. We have chosen Swaim and Associates as the architect and Lloyd Construction for the builder. Mr. Barger offered to show a map of the site at the end of the meeting for those that would be interested. Mr. Barger also shared that the school will be built with the preschool sharing common space such as the MPR, drive way. Parking for preschool will be on one side and parking for VHS will be on the other side as well as pick up and drop off areas. Mr. Barger also shared with the council the monies that were donated to help fund the school from the state repented on. The superintendent and governing board members are fighting this and showing we are at the mercy of KB and other situations. But that we have done everything we need to do to show we are moving forward on this project. Mr. Barger explained that the state asks every six months for updates and we provide them with everything they need.

4. New Business

A. Graduation

ACTION

Mr. Barger explained to the council that the governing board has chosen to have all 4 high schools graduate on different nights. This will allow governing board members to attend the ones they would like to attend and also gives the superintendent the opportunity to attend all 4. Pantano will graduate on Monday May 18th at the new auditorium over at Empire. Mr. Barger presented to the council that he would like to have graduation there as well. Ms. Collie spoke on behalf of the seniors that they would like to have graduation in the cafeteria as in the past years for tradition. Mrs. Watkins also asked the reasoning for moving over to Empire. Mr. Barger explained to the council the cost of having the graduation in the cafeteria compared to having it over at Empire. Mr. Sorensen spoke of the new auditorium and how nice it would be to have the graduation there and that the voters voted to build the auditorium and that we should use it. Mrs. Wood asked why the seniors felt this way. Ms. Collie stated it was Empire. They wanted to graduate at there own school. Mr. Ogden explained that the students need to not think of it as Empire but as a state of the art auditorium. Mr. Barger assured Ms. Collie that some of the tradition will not change. After graduation there will still be cake, punch and a place for friends and family to mingle. Mr. Letcher motioned to have Mr. Barger resolve and work out between the him and the senior class. Motions was seconded and all approved to have Mr. Barger make the final decision on where graduation will be held

B. Piercing Appeal

STUDY

Mr. Barger presented to the council a petition signed by 55% of the student in regards to piercing. Students would like the opportunity to pierce their nose, eyebrow and such. Ms. Doster a student representative spoke on behalf of the students that signed the petition. Mr. Barger explained to the council that last year there was a case where a student lost a parent so in memory of her parent she pierced her nose the other parent agreed to it and allowed the daughter to do so. Mr. Barger explained to the young lady and her parent that she would have to cover it for two weeks and then at that time she would have to take it out. Mr. Roberts read from the student hand book just what it says on jewelry accessories: Page 13 in the hand book it states: "Jewelry should be worn in moderation. Earrings and studs and other piercing jewelry may be worn only in the ear and the number may not be excessive". Mrs. Watkins asked "What is Excessive"? The hand book does not explain what excessive is. Mr. Barger agreed it needed to be more clear. Mrs. Wood does not agree with the position and believes that the students signed just because friends did. Mrs. Wood also stated she believes the nose piercing are distracting and it a matter of per pressure. She also stated what is to say it wont stop there. A petition was signed and allowed for nose now it will go from nose to cheek to ear. There needs to be a

firm agreement on what is allowed and what is not. Mrs. Wood is in favor of no piercing of the face. Mrs. Watkins asked about gages in a student's ear and why is that ok and not the nose piercing. Mr. Barger replied he does not agree with the gage but they are in the ear and there is nothing in writing that says no gages. This may be something that is looked at in the future. The students see Citi Card workers and they do not have a rule on piercing. Mr. Letcher asked if other schools allowed the facial piercing. Mr. Barger shared with the council that all schools do not allow facial piercing, but he was not sure if they enforce it. Mr. Letcher believes that VIIS needs to set the standard and is in agreement with no piercing. Mr. Barger shared with the council that Vail High School is a school of choice and that you do not have to come here. Mr. Sorensen keep letting Ms. Doster know how appreciative he was of her stepping forward for a cause she strongly believes in. He told her it took courage to step up and come before the council. Mrs. Watkins thought it could be done tastefully but students will push the limit, therefore there needs to be a strong message and in writing what is acceptable and what isn't. After a long discussion on the issue it was agreed it will stay the same and there will be no facial piercing. Everyone on the council thanked Ms. Doster for stepping up and taking on such a big task. Mr. Sorensen asked Ms. Doster if she feels she has been listened too. There was a pole to the voting member on revisiting this rule and all were in favor of no. Leave it the way it is. Just come up with clarification on piercing what is excessive.

C. 2008-2009 301 Goals

STUDY

Mr. Barger explained to the council that every year the district and the schools come up with 301 goals. This came about 10 years back from the No Child Left Behind. Each school sets 3 to 4 goals and at the end of the school year if all the teachers meet the goals then the teachers get an incentive pay. Goals are paid at \$300.00 to \$400.00 per goal. But every teacher much completes the goals. One of the goals last year had to be measurable. We had where a % of students would take the ACT test. This year the district has not given a specific direction on goals. There were 8 purposed goals to the teachers and they picked 4. Mr. Ogden asked if this was for full time and part time certified staff. Mr. Barger explained it was for all certified teachers. The money is calculated per teacher whether you are a full time teacher or a part time teacher. Number of events are pro-rated on the hours worked. Some teachers may do some one semester and some will do them the next semester. Mrs. Wood asked Mr. Barger if these were being implemented right now and Mr. Barger said yes it has begun. All council members were given a copy of the 301 Goals.

D. 2008-2009 301 Goals

ACTION

Mr. Barger asked that the council approve the 301 goals as presented. After discussion of the goals Mr. Letcher motion to accept goals as presented Mrs. Watkins seconded all goals were approved.

E. Vail Cares Incentive \$

ACTION

Mr. Barger shared with the council VIIS has about \$2,300 dollars left of grant money to be spend. He gave a few examples of what the monies have been spent on in the past. He also let the council know that the core team has met and decided to spend the remaining monies in the following manor:

Tug-o-war rope for field day	\$160.00
T-Shirts for all student/staff (200)	\$742.70
Pizza Lunches for Top Dog Award	\$184.00
Gift cards for Top Dog Prizes	\$1,200.00

Mr. Ogden moved to accept the spending of the grant money as presented and was seconded by Mrs. Wood. Grant money was approved.

F. Future Meeting Dates

ACTION

Mr. Barger presented to the board different options for meeting dates and times. The third Thursday of each month at 4:00 pm was voted on. Mr. Barger will meet with Mr. Sorensen and get date to be in place of holidays.

5.

Adjournment

ACTION

Mr. Letcher motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Ogden second. Meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.

CONSENT AGENDA

September 15, 2008

Reference: Field Trip Request
Northern Arizona University (NAU)

From: Eva Peters

To: Mr. Dennis Barger
Site Council

The senior class has expressed a desire to visit Northern Arizona University. The university provides tours and activities for the students and this is a good way for them to explore future options. Seniors are usually dedicated to their studies and field trips to major universities keep students focused on academics. The date we requested for the university to give us a tour on Monday, October 27, 2008; we would have to leave Sunday the 26th early in the morning in order to make it to the morning tour. We will arrive at Vail High School around 7:00 p.m. on Monday.

There will be approximately 20 passengers; 17 students and three adults. The students will pay for their own accommodations and for the accommodations and meals of the bus driver. Please consider this request; thank you for your time.

Sincerely,


Eva L. Peters
Adviser Base Teacher

September 15, 2008

Reference: Field Trip Request
Arizona State University (ASU)

From: Eva Peters

To: Mr. Dennis Barger
Site Council

The senior class have expressed desire to visit Arizona State University. The university provides tours and activities for the students and this is a good way for them to explore future options. Seniors are usually dedicated to their studies and field trips to major universities keep students focused on academics. The date we requested for the university to give us a tour is November 13, 2008; this will be a one-day field trip. We will leave at approximately 7:30 a.m. and will arrive at Vail High School around 6:00 p.m.

There will be approximately 21 passengers; 18 students and three adults. The students will pay for their own lunch and for the meals of the bus driver. Please consider this request; thank you for your time.

Sincerely,


Eva L. Peters
Adviser Base Teacher

**OLD
BUSINESS**

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Kaparov, Tricia

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Enrollment Summary

as of 10/9/2008 (A)
Vail High School

Grade Level	TOTAL IN GRADE	Asian or Pacific Islander	Black or African-American	Hispanic or Latino	American Indian	White (Not Hispanic)	Unclassified
9	31 21 / 13	1 0 / 1	1 1 / 0	7 3 / 4	0 0 / 0	25 17 / 3	0 0 / 0
10	39 27 / 12	2 1 / 1	1 1 / 0	4 3 / 1	0 0 / 0	32 22 / 10	0 0 / 0
11	43 25 / 18	1 1 / 1	1 1 / 0	1 6 / 4	0 0 / 0	39 17 / 22	0 0 / 0
12	21 18 / 1	0 0 / 0	1 1 / 1	1 2 / 1	0 0 / 0	19 15 / 4	0 0 / 0
TOTAL	134 91 / 61	4 2 / 2	4 4 / 0	13 14 / 11	0 0 / 0	114 71 / 43	0 0 / 0

PROPOSED
Vail High School 301 goals 2008-2009

1. **ACADEMIC #1** 100% of certified staff will visit 3 other teacher's classrooms per semester and conduct a minimum of 30 minute observations. One of these visits should be at a school other than VIIS. Teachers will fill out an observation form and submit them to the principal.

2. **ACADEMIC #2** 100% of teaching staff will give students one writing assignment per semester, to be evaluated using the six traits of writing. Focus on the assignment will be the genre and traits of writing that have a particular relevance to the content area of each teacher. In order to verify the process, teachers will be expected to submit five samples of student work to the administration.

3. **COMMUNICATION #1** Certified staff will send postcards home to parents. These postcards are intended to be specific to each student and of a positive nature. The goal is that a full-time staff member will send home an average of six cards per month and that a part-time employee would send an amount home that is consistent with their employment percentage (i.e. a half-time employee would send an average of three per month). A record will be kept in the front office so that one student does not receive 15 postcards and another student zero. This will be for the months of October through May.

4. **COMMUNICATION #2** All certified staff will make homework and other assignment information available to parents through group emails or by using the school website to post information under their specific courses on a weekly basis.

PROPOSED SITE COUNCIL DATES FOR THE 2008 - 2009
SCHOOL YEAR

Thursdays at 4:00 on the following dates:

9 Oct 2008
20 Nov 2008
11 Dec 2008
22 Jan 2009
19 Feb 2009
26 Mar 2009
23 Apr 2009
14 May 2009

**NEW
BUSINESS**

John Ritter Photography

- Tucson photographer for 30 years
- No charge for session if at his studio (Sabino Canyon area)
- \$35.00 charge to come to VHS
- \$50.00 deposit (use towards purchase)
- Gives students proofs to look at
- Packages start at \$99.00 (1 8x10, 2 5x7s, 8 wallets)
- Has student bring 3-4 outfits
- Will take indoor and outdoor shots (both here and at his studio)
- Here do over 3 or 4 day period, later in the day when the sun is better, by appointment
- No charge for yearbook pictures he will give us the disk
- Would be willing to bring the proofs back here to the school

Jon Wolff Photography

- Tucson photographer for 31 years
- "Designer portraits"
- Normal studio session fee - \$125.00 but will charge seniors \$25.00
- Emphasized that their prices are equal to other photographers, but it's their customer service that sets them apart.
- No charge for yearbook pictures
- Will format yearbook pictures to whatever the yearbook company needs
- Will come to the school and hold an "assembly" for the seniors and their parents does a slide show to show them what they offer.
- Will send mailings and make phone calls to parents
- By appointment only at their studio. Would rather not come to the school - the creativity is better at his studio (located at Broadway Kolb)
- Students will have multiple poses, but does charge \$10.00 extra for indoor/outdoor
- Pictures start at \$32.00 and packets are available, but didn't give specific prices - again emphasizing that their prices are equal, but they excel on customer service.

CnV Imaging

- Local Vail photographer - here to serve the community
- Willing to come to VHS
- Will take yearbook photos for \$20.00 per student and includes 8 wallets
- If a student is interested in more shots, the students will make an appointment and they will come back out to VHS to use our location as a backdrop.
- Additional package prices start at \$275.00 (one hour on site photo shoot, 3 8x10s, 3 5x7s, 24 wallets up to three poses)
- \$100.00 deposit due two weeks prior to scheduled appointment (goes towards package)