



Vail School District  
 Vail, Arizona  
 Site Council  
 Vail High School



*School Construction  
 Process Update  
 ACT College  
 Meeting*

*STUDY  
 Session  
 Plan*

**AGENDA**  
 Regular Meeting  
 Friday, September 15, 2006 at 12:00  
 In the Vail High School Computer Lab

**Regular Meeting**

**1. Call to Order**

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Approval of Minutes
- C. Reports
  - \* Member Reports
  - \* Administrative Report

*Name the Boxer  
 PTC  
 Website  
 Car Wash - Sat  
 CAB*

*Mike Ketcher  
 - Create Instructional  
 Key*

**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 of 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.

*Teresa McKinnis  
 - Lorraine Slack  
 Staff for PTC*

**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.

**3. Old Business**

- A. Enrollment Summary
- B. Staffing
- C. School Goals
- D. Vail Cares Incentive

INFORM  
 INFORM  
 ACTION  
 STUDY

**4. New Business**

- A. Seniors taking less than 6 classes
- B. Distinction Points
- C. School Focus
- D. School Ambassadors

ACTION  
 STUDY  
 STUDY  
 INFORM

**5. Adjournment**

**ACTION**

\*NOTE NEXT MEETING OCTOBER 20, 2006



**ANNOTATED AGENDA**  
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  - \* **Administrative Report**
- D. **Call to the Public**
- E. **Recognitions**

2. **Consent Agenda**

**ACTION**

**Background:**

All items attached are consent matters and should be considered by one motion at this time. There will be no discussion of consent items. Any Site 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.

**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 and discussion item.

B. **Staffing**

**INFORM**

**Background:**

Mr. Barger will update the council on any changes to the 06/07 staff list.

**Recommendation:**

None at this time: Information and discussion item.

3. **Old Business, continued**

C. **School Goals**

**ACTION**

**Background:**

Mr. Barger will present the school goals for the staff.

**Recommendation:**

The council approves the school goals as presented.

**D. Vail Cares Incentive** **STUDY**  
Mr. Barger will provide information to the council on money spent from the grant and remaining plans.

**Recommendation:**  
None at this time: Information and discussion only.

**4. New Business**

**A. Seniors taking less than 6 classes.** **ACTION**

**Background:**  
Mr. Barger will provide to the council information on requirements for seniors to graduation regarding state funding.

**Recommendation:** *a minimum of 4*  
The council to allow seniors to take ~~less than 6~~ periods as long as they are on track to graduate.

**B. Distinction Points** **STUDY**

**Background:**  
Mr. Barger will provide to the council information on distinction points and seek site council input.

**Recommendation:**  
None at this time: Information and discussion only.

**C. SCHOOL FOCUS** **STUDY**

**Background:**  
Mr. Barger will seek input from the council for the future of Vail High School.

**Recommendation:**  
None at this time: Information and discussion only.

**D. School Ambassadors** **INFORM**

**Background:**  
Mr. Barger will explain the Safe School Ambassador to the council.

**Recommendation:**  
None at this time: Information and discussion only.

**5. Adjournment** **ACTION**

# MINUTES



Vail School District  
Vail, Arizona  
Site Council  
Vail High School



**MINUTES**

Regular Meeting  
Friday, August 25, 2006 at 3:00  
In the Vail High School Computer Lab

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting was called to order by Mr. Dennis Barger at 3:10 pm. Mr. Barger clarified for the council the length of terms for the following: Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young, Mr. Terry Jensen and Ms. Bonnie Vining and the student representative will serve a one year term. Ms. Irma Woodward, Mrs. Lorrie Sheehy and Mr. Mike Letcher will serve a two year term. Mr. Barger opened the floor for nominations for Site Council Chair. Nominations were opened and Mr. Mike Letcher was nominated Chair. Mr. Letcher opened nominations for clerk. Ms. Irma Woodward nominated Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young and was seconded by Mr. Terry Jensen. Nominations were closed, and Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young was elected. New officers for the Vail High School Site Council are as followed: Chair: Mr. Mike Letcher, Clerk: Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young.

**A. Pledge of Allegiance:**

Lead by Mr. Mike Letcher

**B. Approval of Minutes:**

Mr. Terry Jensen motioned to approve minutes as read and was seconded by Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young. Minutes were approved. Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young would like to address item D at the next meeting.

**C. Reports**

**\* Member Reports**

Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young would like to add to next agenda about seniors attending school all day.

**\* Administrative Report**

Mr. Barger mentioned a grant of four million dollars over 3 years that was awarded to the Vail School District. VHS did not participate in last year, but Mr. Barger was able to get \$4,000.00 of the grant. With part of the funds Mr. Barger has order VHS T-Shirts for all the students. Each student will receive 2 school t-shirts, (one white and one blue). The t-shirts will be delivered to each student during advisor base Thursday after they complete a short survey for the UofA. The survey deals with bullying, drugs, and sex. This is an anonymous survey. The students' names are not on the survey.

Mr. John Roberts gave an update on the VDLP (Vail Distance Learning Program). VDLP started in April and at this point we have just about 37 students enrolled. Students taking VDLP classes will graduate with a Vail High School Diploma. VDLP is NCA accredited. The VDLP is part of the Mesa Distance Learning Program and the teachers are all certified teachers. Students need to log hours of their work. Students in the VDLP need to come to VHS to take their finals. MDLP reports to the state and we receive ½ the ADM for the students that are enrolled in VDLP. Mr. Roberts announced that we have had one student receive her high school diploma in just 4 weeks. Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young asked what the students have done that have dropped the VDLP. Mr. Roberts explained that those that have left the VDLP are now attending a regular high school. One of the students that was doing

the VDLP full time is now a full time student here at VHS. Seniors that take classes through the VDLP come to VHS every week to attend advisor base for their senior project.

Mr. Barger will be doing a campaign to name the Boxer. Vail High School is in the 10<sup>th</sup> year and the Boxer has not yet been named.

#### **D. Call to the Public:**

Mr. John Roberts stated that the staff and the students had a very good start to the new year and thanked Mr. Barger for all he has done to make it a great start. Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young and Mr. Mike Letcher both stated that the students seem to be happy.

#### **E. Recognitions**

Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young recognized Mr. Barger for a great start to the 2006-2007 school year.

Mr. Barger recognized two of our former students Josh Belhuemer and Darrel Douglas for taking 1<sup>st</sup> place in Entrepreneurship at the FBLA National Competition. These two students raised their own money to go to the Nationals. Josh Belhuemer for updating the Vail High School web page. The new site will be vailhs.net. Ms. Michelle Marlatt for taking on the D.-F.A.T. Team. Mr. Terry Jensen for working so hard getting all the staff up and running with computers. Mr. Roberts for the VDLP and helping Mr. Barger during the summer time to get the school ready for the first day. Students, Jack Young, Jessica Papenfus and several others for coming out during the summer to help clean up the school (paint, move furniture, ect.). The two students Rebecca Adams and Tasha McKinney have submitted a brief biography of themselves to be the student representative on the site council. One will be elected to be the student representative.

#### **2. Consent Agenda**

##### **ACTION**

Mr. Mike Letcher read consent agenda motion was made by Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young to except consent agenda as is, was seconded by Ms. Irma Woodward all were in favor.

#### **3. Old Business**

##### **A. Enrollment Summary**

##### **INFORM**

Mr. Barger informed the council of the enrollment up to date. It was asked how many in each grade, Mr. Barger explained how to read the enrollment summary. The enrollment summary does not include the full time VDLP students.

##### **B. Staffing**

##### **INFORM**

Mr. Barger informed the council that Mr. Kroto the Business teacher will be leaving. He has turned in his letter of resignation and that his last day will be September 1<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Barger is interviewing for the position. If needed, we will go with a long term sub to be sure we hire the correct person for the job. Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young is working with Mr. Kroto and Mr. Adams as a representative for Raytheon. Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young asked if she could be informed of the new person to be hired.

##### **C. Visitors at lunch**

##### **STUDY**

Mr. Barger spoke to Mr. Roberts about former students being here to visit students in the cafeteria. It has been a practice in the past not to have visitors on campus unless they sign in at the front office. Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young asked about visitors coming in the front office to have lunch with a student. It is a concern of the supervision of the students at the cafeteria. Some ideas: Consider a restricted eating area for all students and staff. The tables in the front of the cafeteria by Starbuck are not for student use and they should not be sitting there during lunch. It was mentioned by both students at the site council meeting that there should be no visitors unless they have signed in at the front office.

Questions that came up:

What do other high schools do about student visitors?

Parents visiting during lunch

Former students still have their ID's

#### **4. New Business**

##### **A. PTSA**

##### **STUDY**

Mr. Barger talked about the lack of members in the PTSA, and if anyone had any ideas of how to get the PTSA up and running. Mr. Barger asked for any ideas to get parents more involved and be a part of the PTSA. Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young and Ms. Bonnie did not know there was a PTSA. They both suggested that the PTSA needs to advertise more. Maybe put it in the news letter; send a flyer home to the parents. Maybe send the newsletter electronically. Mr. Barger asked Ms. Bonnie Vining if we would be able to advertise at Javalinas. She was all for it. Mr. Barger's hope is to have a waiting list for each grade level. Put a link on the website for PTSA news. We need to market the PTSA more.

##### **B. School Goals**

##### **INFORM**

Each year the staff comes up with 3 to 4 school goals. These goals will go to the site council for approval and to the district governing board for approval. Once the goals have been approved the teachers need to complete these goals to receive any insensitive pay. The goals chosen from the staff need to be close to the governing board goals, they will be such things like: AIMS data to rise. Mr. Barger will have more information on the district goals after the Tuesday night board meeting.

##### **C. EEP**

##### **ACTION**

EEP is an incentive for teacher to go above and beyond outside their class. Ms. Bowman is sponsoring an Outdoor Club. Recommendation from Mr. Barger is to approve the EEP for Ms. Bowman. Motion was made by Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young to approve the EEP for Ms. Bowman and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. Irma Woodward. Motion was carried and the EEP for Ms. Bowman was approved. Payment of the EEP is paid over two pay periods, one in the winter and one in the spring.

##### **D. Future Site Council Meeting Dates**

##### **ACTION**

Mr. Barger went over all the days and times that everyone submitted and it was discussed it appears that Friday's are the best days with start time of 3:00 pm. Mr. Terry Jensen's concerns were: If the meeting tends to go on will it be possible to table a matter for a future meeting. And, if needed could the date and time be changed. Motion was made by Ms. Irma Woodward to stay with the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month unless date and time needs to be moved, was seconded by Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young all were in favor.

#### **5. Adjournment**

##### **ACTION**

Motion was made by Ms. Irma Woodward to adjourn meeting, was seconded by Mrs. Sherrie Lain-Young. All were in favor, meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm. Next meeting will be Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm in the VHS Computer Lab.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**



Sept 15

### FIELD TRIP TRANSPORTATION REQUEST

Requests must be received in the Transportation Office at least 2 weeks prior to trip date. Non A.I.A. Field trips are only scheduled from 9:00 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. Eating/drinking on the bus is prohibited. Trip sponsor is responsible for student behavior.

#### Teacher/ Sponsor Please Complete the Information Below

Pick-up location/school Vail High School Date Sept 15, 06  
~~Oct 10 (Tues)~~  
 Teacher/Sponsor Amanda Randall Grade HS # of Passengers 12  
 Telephone # 382. 3215 Number of Wheelchair Restraints if Needed 0  
 Destination University of Arizona Student Union

Address ? Park + University area  
 Purpose of Trip YWCA - It's Time to Talk Youth Forum on Race

Lunch yes - provided

Date of Trip Oct 10 (Tues)

Departure Time 8 AM

Arrival Time 8:30

Return to Bus Time 2 pm

Return to School Time 2:30 p

for this is scheduled 9am - 2pm

Driver Use Only	
Ending Mileage	_____
Beginning Mileage	_____
Total Miles	_____
Vehicle #	_____
# of Hours	_____
Driver Signature	_____

#### Trip Approval Receipt

Teacher / Sponsor	
Complete this section for prompt reply	
School	_____
Teacher	_____
Date of Trip	_____
Destination	_____
Departure/Return Time	_____

School Administrator complete this Section	
Administrator Approval	Date _____
Signature	_____
Site Council Approval	Date _____

Transportation Approval \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Field Trip Transportation Request

**Teacher / Sponsor**

*Fill in top and bottom sections and return completed form to the office*

Pickup location / school: Vail H.S. Date: 9/20/06  
 Teacher / Sponsor: Don Adams Grade: 11-12 Num. of Passengers: 9  
 Telephone: 382-3206 Ext: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Destination: Grand Canyon & University (Phoenix)  
 Address if known: 3300 W. Camelback Rd.  
Phoenix, AZ 85017 602-589-2300  
 Purpose of Trip: Human Anatomy Workshop and Campus  
Tour for Seniors & Juniors  
 Lunch: provided by GCU

<p>Date of Trip: <u>10-20-06</u></p> <p>Time of departure: <u>8:30 AM</u></p> <p>Time of arrival: <u>10:45 AM</u></p> <p>Time to return to bus: <u>1:30</u></p> <p>Time to return to school: <u>3:45</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Driver Please Fill in Information</b></p> <p>Ending Mileage: _____</p> <p>Beginning Mileage: _____</p> <p>Total Miles: _____</p> <p>Vehicle Number: _____</p> <p>Number of Hours: _____</p> <p>Driver Signature: _____</p>
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**Field trips must return to all schools no later than 1:30 PM.**  
**There is no eating or drinking on bus - water in plastic bottles allowed**

(6th, 7th, 8th grade students only - are Walkman allowed (Y/N): \_\_\_\_\_

### Teacher / Sponsor Approved Receipt

Complete this section for prompt reply

School: Vail H.S.  
 Teacher: Don Adams  
 Date of Trip: 10-20-06  
 Destination: Grand Canyon Univ. Phx.  
 Departure Time: 8:30  
 Return Time: 4:00  
 Number of Hours: 7.5

<b>Field Trip Approval</b>	
Authorizing Signature: _____	
<b>Transportation Approval</b>	
Date Approved: _____	
Supervisor: _____	

## Field Trip Transportation Request

**Teacher / Sponsor**

*Fill in top and bottom sections and return completed form to the office*

Pickup location / school: Vail HS. Date: 9-07/06  
 Teacher / Sponsor: DON ADAMS Grade: 9-12 Num. of Passengers: 7  
 Telephone: 382-3203 Ext: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Destination: SANORON Science Academy  
 Address if known: SUNRISE & La Cholla  
 Purpose of Trip: Robotics club exhibition  
 Lunch: we will get

VAN

	<b>Driver Please Fill! In Information</b>
Date of Trip: <u>9-16-06 (Sat)</u>	Ending Mileage: _____
Time of departure: <u>9:00</u>	Beginning Mileage: _____
Time of arrival: <u>9:45</u>	Total Miles: _____
	Vehicle Number: _____
Time to return to bus: <u>1:30</u>	Number of Hours: _____
Time to return to school: <u>2:15</u>	Driver Signature: _____

**Field trips must return to all schools no later than 1:30 PM.**  
**There is no eating or drinking on bus - water in plastic bottles allowed**

(6th, 7th, 8th grade students only - are Walkman allowed (Y/N): \_\_\_\_\_

### Teacher / Sponsor Approved Receipt

Complete this section for prompt reply

School: Vail H.S.  
 Teacher: Don Adams  
 Date of Trip: 9-16-06  
 Destination: SUNRISE & La Cholla  
 Departure Time: 9:00  
 Return Time: 2:15  
 Number of Hours: 5 hrs

<b>Field Trip Approval</b>	
Authorizing Signature: _____	
<b>Transportation Approval</b>	
Date Approved: _____	
Supervisor: _____	

**OLD  
BUSINESS**

School: Vail High School

Term: 06-07 Semester 1

[Logout](#) ?

Start Page > Reports > Run Reports > Enrollment Summary

Kaparoff, Tricia

**Functions**

- Absentee
- Daily Bulletin
- Enrollment Summary
- Master Schedule
- PowerLunch
- Reports
- Special Functions
- Teacher Schedules

**Setup**

- Personalize
- PowerScheduler
- School
- Staff
- System

**Enrollment Summary**

as of 9/15/06 (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	43 28 / 15	0 0 / 0	4 2 / 2	4 3 / 1	0 0 / 0	35 23 / 12	0 0 / 0
10	49 26 / 23	2 0 / 2	2 1 / 1	12 7 / 5	0 0 / 0	33 18 / 15	0 0 / 0
11	29 22 / 7	4 4 / 0	0 0 / 0	3 3 / 0	0 0 / 0	22 15 / 7	0 0 / 0
12	22 7 / 15	0 0 / 0	2 1 / 1	3 1 / 2	0 0 / 0	17 5 / 12	0 0 / 0
<b>TOTAL</b>	143 83 / 60	6 4 / 2	8 4 / 4	22 14 / 8	0 0 / 0	107 61 / 46	0 0 / 0

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VHS  
School Goals  
2006 – 2007  
*DRAFT*

In order to share best teaching practices in curriculum and instructional strategies, each teacher will observe 3 other teachers for a minimum of 30 minutes per semester (at least one teacher will be from another campus) as documented on a classroom observation form.

The current sophomores will increase the average score on the 'Word Choice' portion of the AIMS test from 3.5 (2006 score) to 3.8 (an increase of 5%) as measured by the February 2007 AIMS Writing Test.

The percentage of juniors and seniors who exceed the Math portion of the AIMS Math Test during the 2006 – 2007 school year will increase from 21% to 33%.

100% of certified staff members will sponsor a club (not paid by a district EEP) that meets a minimum of once a month OR attend three extracurricular events per semester (one of which must be non-athletic).

**NEW  
BUSINESS**

## WEIGHTED GRADE DISCUSSION

APRIL 26, 2006

OPTIONS	BENEFITS	DRAW BACKS
A NO WEIGHTED GRADES (VHS)	Simple, many colleges don't care about weighted grades	No incentive for students to take more difficult classes
B HONORS GET 1.0 BONUS (EHS)	Traditional, People 'get it'!	Penalizes kids who do more, students encouraged to take fewer courses
C COUNT ONLY CORE CLASSES	Evens the playing field for class rank, This is what many Universities do	No incentive for students to "try" in electives, makes other areas devalued
D COUNT CORE + ANY AP COURSE	Evens the playing field and encourages students to take diff. Courses	Only courses with 'AP' become coveted
E MAKE SP.ED. COURSES A=3.0	Removes students in less demanding courses from class rank discussion	Too many tiers becomes very difficult to explain and evaluate
F USE A+,A-,B+,B-,C+,C,etc. A+=4.24, A=4.0, A-=3.77 B+=3.53, B=3.29, B-=3.06	Recognizes the difference between a 97% and 90% causing students to be much more competitive in class, and creates many more options for rank	The big question is an A an A regardless of %?, Kids whining about why their 96 should have really been a 97!
G DISTINCTION POINTS (CHS)	Rewards students who take more and difficult classes without penalty	Can be confusing, and Powerschool has not handled it until recently.



## IMPORTANT STATEMENTS/ISSUES TO CONSIDER

GPA should be calculated to the nearest thousandth, or 3 decimal points.

Each University has its own approach to ranking students:

- some use simple gpa
- some use weighted gpa
- some use only gpa from core classes

Nationwide this is a hot issue

Miami, Fla district just pulled rank from their transcripts  
Scholarship Money is based on RANK in class

Aldine, Texas stated they limited the fine arts role in calculating gpa to AP courses, "because over time program coordinators wanted their courses to have honors status, and the more that were given that status, the more other programs wanted equal status. These included courses like football, band, dance, pe, & speech."  
THIS IS ALREADY BEGINNING AT CIENEGA WITH FOREIGN LANG.

Grades for courses taken at non-accredited public, private or parochial schools including home schools, must be validated via credit by exam in order to receive credit for graduation. Such grades shall not be used for class rank.

Any repeated course only has the first grade counted for GPA (powerschool??)

Not calculated in GPA are courses taken for pass/fail, high school courses taken in middle school, correspondence courses, AP exam scores, test out classes, charter school credits.

"Beginning June 1, 2006, distinction points will be awarded for certain classes in which students attain a grade of "C" or above. For Honors classes, a distinction point of .03 will be added to their GPA. For Advanced Placement (AP) and pre-approved accredited Pima Community College (PCC) Classes, a distinction point of .05 will be added to their GPA."

VHS  
Site Council