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December 14, 2015
VAHS Site Council Minutes

Members Present:

Mrs. Betty Biswell
Ms. Christine Creasy
Mrs. Kathy Gately
Mrs. Linda Feehs
Mrs. Gina De La Ossa

Members Absent:

Mrs. Mea Santiesteban
Mr. Mike Melton
Mr. Austin LeBlanc
Mr. Ed Kestler

Also in Attendance:

Mr. Dennis Barger
Mr. Michael Fester

Ms. Creasy called the meeting of the VAHS Site Council to order at 4:51 pm.

Minutes Motion to approve made by Mrs. Gately, seconded by Mrs. De La Ossa. Minutes were approved.

Administrative Reports: Mr. Barger reported: That many of our annual events were occurring at the end of the semester including our k-5 dance party, middle school bowling event, and breakfast with Santa; additionally a reminder was provided that the last day of school is Wednesday the 16th of December where as many other Vail schools have school on the 17th; and finally Mr. Barger reported that on December 11th our school participated in the 'Hour of Code' event.

Call to the Public: None

Recognitions: Mr. Barger made the following recognitions:

Ms. Tucker for music performances; Mrs. Ellis for our first playoff win in girls' soccer; Ms. Stevens for leadership on the sock and underwear drive; Ms. Stevens and Mr. Gutman for their coordination of the Ginger Bread House project; Mrs. Hildreth, Mrs. Hoekstra, and Mr. Frausel for their various efforts in making Turkey Trot/Field Day a huge success; Ms. Runyon for NJHS activities and induction; student Nick Cosentino for his fourth consecutive school championship in the Geography Bee; student Laurel Wettstein for her leadership of our Youth Orchestra; Ms. Curtis for recently being recognized by Raytheon as a Leader in Education; front office staff for the efforts in decorating the

school; Mr. Fester for the Hour of Code event; and students Courtney Barger and Remy Knauer on being nominated US Presidential Scholars in CTE to represent Arizona. Additionally, Mrs. Biswell commented on the Hour of Code event commenting on how enjoyable it was, as reported to her by Mr. Biswell who volunteered at our school during the event.

Consent Agenda:

Motion by Mrs. Biswell, seconded by Mrs. Gately, all items were approved.

Old Business:

- A. Enrollment Summary** - Mr. Barger presented a copy of the enrollment summary to site council and explained target numbers and enrollment caps. No action taken as this was an inform item.
- B. 2016-2017 Calendar** – Mr. Barger presented the site council approved calendar for next school year. Mr. Barger discussed his desire to make the finals’ schedule for 7-12 graders two tests per day over three days. This would work best if they were early release days which is hard for families of young students. Transportation would be able to run two routes, one for the 7-12th graders and again at the end of school at 2:40. A room may need to be made available for students to stay and study if they lived out of district and transportation issues were not resolved.
- C. Vail Parent Network** – A reminder that group is scheduling events through the community. A big event planned for this evening has been canceled due to bad weather, but in January the group will have other events.
- D. VAHS 2016-2017 Enrollment** – Mr. Barger presented the site council with enrollment numbers for next year. The numbers for grades K-8 remain unchanged, and the new high school target numbers will be 48, 54, 48 and 44 respectively in grades 9-12. If a grade retains all current students and the number is larger than next year’s target number all students may remain. Ms. Creasy motioned to approve, and Mrs. Fees seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

- A. School Fees** – Mr. Barger presented the site council with an updated list of school fees. Specifically the Kinder enrichment, Student Council and National Honor Societies were added to the previously approved list. Ms. Creasy motioned to approve, and Mrs. Gately seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment – Ms. Creasy moved, seconded by Mrs. Gately. Meeting adjourned at 6:01 pm.