

Wai'anae High School School Community Council Meeting

SY 18-19

April 10, 2019

Minutes, SCC/PTSA Community Meeting

SY 2018-2019

1. Call to Order: 4:43 pm by Chair Jo Jordan
2. Attendance:

Parents	Teachers	Non-Certificated	Community	Students	Administration
Lanny Busher Valerie Lawson	Chris Akana Keil Oberlander	Calvin Endo	Jo Jordan	Teah Martin Ashlynn Sequin	Disa Hauge
Josiah Koria	Mae Oshiro			Mililani Kuhaulua Janieshalee Wyatt Shade Kea Alexia Tomita	
Guests:	Susan Endo				

- a. Quorum: 6 role groups present: Admin, Community, Parent, Teacher, Non-certificated, Student
3. Approval of Agenda and Minutes:
 - a. The following items were added to the agenda: None.
 - b. Minutes of 3/13/2019 were accepted as corrected: 5.a. replace Call to Order "6:08" to "4:08" Moved by Valerie, Mae 2nd; unanimous vote.
4. Reports and Concerns:
 - a. Students:
 - i. Freshmen and Sophomore banquet passed. Positive feedback, it went better than previously planned.
 - ii. Students want a block for study hall and advisory. Students want this to avoid completing homework in other classes and missing lessons. Teachers and students will need to understand this class and the purpose. It will be further discussed on if it will hurt or benefit the class schedule.
 - iii. Some students and parents are not getting enough information on the courses that they are being put in. The counselors are telling them what they need to choose without providing descriptions of the course.
 - iv. Spirit week is Easter themed, Blood Drive on the 15th, and the Spring Fashion Show went well.
 - v. Students are concerned about AP classes. Students want to apply to AP calculus. But, the class is not available. Students requested more AP classes. [Calculus was dropped because of lack of interest.]
 - vi. Students believe that note taking is the reason for failing. They feel that they are not getting an adequate amount of information to take notes on.
 - vii. Searider Productions attended the Student Television Network convention in Seattle. 28 Hawaii Schools attended and won a total of 32 awards. Searider Productions received 4 of these awards.
 - b. Parents:
 - i. Meeting with Student Council or a group of students to expose them to tracking legislative bills. They will find which will benefit the school. They may also wave signs and raise awareness.
 - ii. Grub night May 2nd in conjunction with the 10th-12th Grade Ho'ike that shows their learning.
 - iii. PTSA wants to finish painting in the cafeteria on either the 20th or 27th. The stage still needs to be cleaned. The wrestling mats and runway stage are cluttering the cafeteria. The goal is to finish before Scholarship Night Awards.
 - iv. Parents raised a concern that they do not have access to Early College grades and information through WHS. The answer is that when students enroll into the UH system, they are treated as adults and parents can ask their students to show them their online information, but the UH system does not have a mechanism

to give information to parents. UH does let the school know of concerns and we follow up with students and parents as necessary.

- v. Parents are concerned that attendance is not always accurate. [Parents and students have access to the online attendance system and can check it regularly then report inaccuracies so we can follow up.]

c. Teachers:

- i. In the first Friday of the week in the morning, students come out to do the Cupid Shuffle and sing the Alma Mater. It raises school spirit and is fun to do.
- ii. 9th grade has Fun Fridays at lunch and often plays horseshoes and volleyball.
- iii. Curriculum maps and grading practices are in place and constantly being improved.
- iv. To promote better attendance, students may not have more than 10% UNexcused absences in order to go to the prom and some banquets. Students have been doing a good job with being more responsible.
- v. April is Health Plan Open Enrollment month.
- vi. A concern was raised that a 'Prom Dance' (not the actual Prom) was denied. It was stated that students pay dues so should have a dance. [Dues go to both the school's government (Student Union) and the classes (Student Councils) and are used to support class activities. Dances are usually not a class activity, except for the Prom and Freshman/Sophomore Banquet). Dances are scheduled throughout the year, and we try to space them out, so this non-Prom dance was denied.]

d. Non-Certificated:

- i. There are still problems of vaping in the restrooms. Hawaii has the 3rd highest rate in the nation.
- ii. Parent Workshop: May 4th, Be Internet Awesome. Google came up with the workshop.

e. Community: (NB=Neighborhood Board)

- i. Mohala I Ka Wai Saturday workshops are on, just let Jo know.
- ii. RAB (public meeting about military installations/contamination issues) on 4/11 @7pm, NHIS AC room.
- iii. Nānākuli Neighborhood Board meeting next Tue @7pm, Nānākuli Library
- iv. WES SCC meeting next Thursday afternoon.
- v. Wai'anae NB special meetings: Houselessness on 4/25, Tiger Woods Golf proposal on 5/1.

f. Admin:

- i. There are 16 valedictorians this year! Good job, Class of 2019!
- ii. The Parent Bulletin was handed out.
- iii. We received the Waiver from the BOE and will start school on 8/7 for 9th graders.
- iv. Sex trafficking is a national problem from which we are not immune. The DOE has recently released resources that are approved to be used in the schools and we are planning how to roll them out.

5. Action Items:

- a. Academic and Financial Plan for 19-20 was presented in its final draft before submittal to the Complex Area Superintendent. After a discussion, Lanny proposed that it be accepted and Calvin seconded. It was passed unanimously.

6. Open Microphone: None

7. Announcements: None

8. Next meeting, May 8, 2019 at 5:00 pm, Adjourned: 7:10 pm.

