

CATALINA FOOTHILLS HIGH SCHOOL

SITE COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES - #4

FEBRUARY 16, 2024

7:45AM

I. Call Meeting to Order

Jody Brase

7:47 Jody called the meeting to order

In attendance: Jody Brase, Julie Vanegas, Jennifer Miller, Gary Thompson, Jody Ponzio, Alex Abeyta, Isai Valenzuela, Justin Robinson, Linda Gee, Courtney Tong

II. Approval of the Agenda

Jennifer Miller

Julie Vanegas motioned to approve, Jody Ponzio seconded

III. Approval of the Minutes

Jennifer Miller

[January 19th, 2024 Minutes](#)

Linda Gee motioned to approve, Jen Miller seconded

VI. Student Council Updates

Gary Thompson

- Alex/Isai: council members went to state in Surprise, Az, Courtney ran for state president, and may still have opportunity to be a part of it
- Gary - there was a voting irregularity, so now they may have 4 presidents
- Falcon Fly-ins with OGMS and ECMS - good groups!
- FCC Valentines party on Tuesday
- Prom is being planned - April 20, UA Grand Ballroom
- Powder Puff
- Movie night
- Council elections (late April)
- After-school events - bingo night, ping pong tournament
- Purchase orders passed for DJ equipment
- Isai - council boot camp is a new event and in late April OGMS student council will come to CFHS to help gain recruitment for future freshmen, get to know each other, etc.
- Jody - our council can always go to the middle schools as well
- Spirit conference in August - waiting on the theme to be announced
- Gary - could use help with other clubs on campus and Link Crew, NHS, to coordinate and move people around on campus during the event; last time we hosted it was the largest spirit conference ever with about 980 students and over 1000 people overall

V. 2023-24 Focus area(s) discussion

All

[Cognia - Accreditation Survey](#)

- Jen - surveys given to certified and classified staff and parents, and on Monday they will go out to students in advisory; from these we will have data to send to the accreditation team; so far a few hundred parents took it - the deadline is the Monday after Rodeo break
- In previous surveys they wanted a certain number of parents
- We will compare the data from the 2017 surveys
- Jody - we wanted to retain the same questions in order to be able to compare with

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the last survey; and although we did not ask questions about students' emotional/mental health in order to keep the questions the same, the district has allocated two new counseling positions (CCC and additional .5 for Randie to go full-time); Julie McCrea is retiring, and Randie moving to full time, and we will have a full-time freshman counselor; and, we are adding a 504 specialist based at the high school but it will be a district-funded position

- Julie Farbarik is our alumni coordinator and she may do a different type of survey to send to alumni, to ask about what they might have needed during high school here
- Also, with regard to technology, Justin Robinson is our testing coordinator this year, but will be in a new position next year: coordinator of data achievement and accountability - he will be able to analyze data and report to sites helpful information; we are currently interviewing for his position, and Amy Charles's position for next year
- Jen - ten modules that have to be worked through, surveys and analyzing data, and the company will provide what is needed in May, and from there the work is due in October - it is all virtual, so now it is via google meet; different modules are data, student achievement, survey data, teacher evaluations with a specific tool to use along with our district evaluation requirements
- The purpose of accreditation is to be able to provide credits for the NCAA to recognize - our company is what all public schools use - it's a great way to look at our strengths and weaknesses in order to always improve, but also to know what is working well
- The results are more like a rubric

VII. FFO Updates

Jody Ponzo

- Practice ACT on Sunday Feb 4, and about 65 students participated
- Panel of 5 alumni speaking at upcoming meeting
- Working on Grad Night - buy tickets now (\$150) - the tickets do not cover the cost, so fund-raising throughout the year helps to cover the cost; encourage ticket sales! Kids on FRL do not pay
- Last day for ticket sales is MAY 10 - FFO has to plan for tables, food, lanyards
- Gary will put in studco video to remind students, and suggests asking Julie Farbarik to put it on the Facebook page
- Jen - FFO comes to speak at senior meeting to encourage sales
- Theme is Carnival
- Encourage parents to get involved - need volunteers, and key people are leaving, so the FFO needs more parents to join - direct them to Jody Ponzo
- Staff appreciation for Valentines Day was this week, and this was funded by parents

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VIII. Counseling Updates

Robin Larson

- Fly-ins completed
- Shadow Days - first one was last Friday, two more scheduled
- ECAP 9 completed in January, ECAP 10 this week, ECAP 11 week of Feb 26
- Falcon College & Career Connections Day (Monday, Feb 12) a success - over 1200 students signed up
- Practice ACT was Feb 4 - review date TBD
- AZSCA Feb 4, 5 in Phoenix - counselors from each school attended from CFSD
- PCC app and next steps lab Monday, Feb 19, and PCC apps completed in Academic Support classes as part of their transition plan
- Course selection begins March 4 in Advisory
- ASVAB Friday, March 22, 7:45 AM, H1 Seminar room
- Military Commitment Ceremony, Thursday, May 9, 7:45 AM, Music Hall Lobby

IX. School Updates

Jody Brase

- Graduation cap/gowns came in
- Senior group picture is March 8
- Fly-outs are two separate dates for seniors to go to elementary and middle schools - kids sign up for these
- Seniors need to be checking emails!

X. Testing

Justin Robinson

- Non-stop from March with AzSci, ACT April 3, ACT Aspire April 16 - makeups must also be set up to catch any absent student
- Civics test for US History students is Weds Feb 21 - the only standardized test students must take to graduate; the score is 70 or above now (before was 60 and above)
- May AP exams begin the 6th, so tests won't finish until the seniors' last week of school

XI. Call to Public

Jody Brase

- Individuals who wish to address the site council are requested to complete a blue card. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda, however the topic may be placed on the future agenda. The Council requests that all comments be limited to three minutes or less.

XII. Closure

Jody Brase

8:46 meeting adjourned