

CATALINA FOOTHILLS HIGH SCHOOL

SITE COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES- #3

JANUARY 30,, 2023

7:45AM

I. **Call Meeting to Order**

Jody Brase

In attendance: Jody Brase, Monisha Patel, Bernadette Moreno, Courtney Tong, Spencer Chan, Linda Gee, Eileen Pastorious, Bill Tong, Taylor Waterworth, Jennifer Miller, Gary Thompson, Justin Robinson, Julie Vanegas, Eddie Uche, Isabela Mendoza

- A new freshman will be joining us due to recent StudCo elections
- 7:53 call to order

II. **Approval of the Agenda**

Jennifer Miller

- Monisha Patel, Gary Thompson approved

III. **Approval of the Minutes for November 7, 2022**

Jennifer Miller

November 7th, 2022 Minutes

- Bill Tong, Gary Thompson approved

V. **2022-23 Focus area(s) discussion**

All

Notes from Nov 7th,

- More unity as a school
- Teachers/staff working in Collaborative Inquiry Teams for schoolwide improvements
- Spirit much higher
- A positive is that overall/as a whole, students are more friendly and outgoing,
- Although lack of responsibility
 - Leaving trash
 - Headphones
 - Picking up after yourself and others
- Possible behavior from Covid?
 - People bolder with speaking their mind or are more demanding; we all need to be reminded of social responsibilities
 - society has changed, in stores there is entitlement, traffic, etc.
 - Parents can be brazen and this is potentially affecting their kids; conflict
 - Resolution is a problem; not thinking things through
- We implemented the 7-minute passing period and took away sweep - have we seen the numbers of tardies go down? No - may need to go back to sweep, as we have more tardies than ever. Looking at data before/after the 7-minute passing being instituted.
- Isabela - sweep may make students more aware of their time
- Discussion on pros/cons

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Testing - Justin Robinson

- Justin - testing: ACT(11th), AzSci (11th), and ACT Aspire (9th)
- Bernadette Moreno - science dept feels great responsibility, with pressure to have students do well, yet not a test needed for graduation - how can we get kids to take more seriously without higher stakes
- Jody - they do get their scores back, and as a school and community our scores count, so we try to support the students as much as possible with scheduling and reminding students how to do well
- Spencer - test is long, many students stop trying halfway through
- Eddie - messaging is important - teachers wording it differently to make it sound more important - why is it beneficial
- Robin/Justin - ACT beneficial since it can be used for college admissions and/or scholarships
- Gary - juniors have Civics test (grad requirement), PSAT, AP exams, ACT, AzSci, so juniors are testing a lot - colleges get a copy of our school profile, showing our test score averages, GPA's, course choices
- Monisha - starting early on, encouraging younger kids to take it more seriously
- Jody - scores impact performance pay for teachers
- Bill - testing is ever-changing, so it's difficult to keep up
- Justin - AzSci and ACT are going to be here for five years
- Bernadette - maybe using the school profile to see what is on it, to encourage kids to be more motivated

VI. Student Council Updates

Gary Thompson

- Spencer - Bullhead City StudCo conference was this past weekend; excellent speakers, ability to interact with other StudCo members from all over the state, very rewarding experience
- Courtney - pep rally theme is Star Wars; discussions on community assistance events/community service
- Gary - 2nd semester: prom, community service, Valentine's day exchange with the FCC, and an UNO night - FCC (Falcon Community Club) - 1st semester they did a Bingo night and gingerbread houses, prizes
- Shirts for Falcon Fly-in middle school students
- Elections complete for freshmen, and new elections for next year coming up
- Met with Marana StudCo to share ideas
- Isabela - 9th graders are doing well - learning from older members
- Spencer - photo booth at lunch for Valentines
- Eddie - NHS - many community service opportunities; tutoring assistance in the library still

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going on - heavier use at quarter/semester times, but continuing

VII. FFO Updates

Eileen Pastorious

- Bus Driver appreciation coming up
- Big Bro/Sis clothing drive
- Spirit wear - pajama pants
- Difficulty getting parent help for Esperero fly-in, Orange Grove is good to go, but needing parent volunteers for Esperero
- Staff Appreciation was a chili bar this month
- Grad Night being planned - 195 tickets, and now the price is \$150
- Teacher of the year - 202 nominations

VIII. Counseling Updates

Robin Larson

- Intern from UA, Dana Michaels
- ACT Practice test Sunday, Jan 29; 60 students assessed - thanks to FFO for help! (Ann Gruber and Angie Boylan)
- ECAP 10 this week
- HOBY, Girls State
- Falcon Fly-Ins (, and Falcon Shadow Days
- Course Selection - instructions in Advisory March 6, then counselors available during both lunches all week, then the next week in the H1 hallway accepting course forms during math classes every period
- ECAP 9 the week of Feb 13, and ECAP 11 the last week in Feb (March 1)
- Falcon Connections Day - selection of speaker session Feb 6, and event on Monday, Feb 13. Any recommendations/referrals?
- Eddie/Spencer - better messaging for leadership opportunities so that students are aware early on what is available
- Gary - UHS has positions specific to college/leadership opportunities
- Bernadette - peer mentors for the counseling office?

IX. School Updates

Jody Brase

- Out of time - we will continue discussions next meeting, March 13

X. 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.

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XI. Closure

Jody Brase

- 8:55 Meeting Adjourned

Upcoming Meetings:

- March 13, 2023
- April 10, 2023