

# CATALINA FOOTHILLS HIGH SCHOOL

## SITE COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES - #5

MARCH 22, 2024

7:45AM

### I. Call Meeting to Order

*Jody Brase*

In attendance: *Jody Brase, Jody Ponzo, Julie Vanegas, Jenny Couch, Bill Tong, Justin Robinson, Taylor Waterworth, Gary Thompson, Chris Lambert, Jennifer Miller, Alex Abeyta, Isai Valenzuela, Bernadette Moreno (C. Lambert and J. Couch are new members for next year's Site Council)*

9:50 AM called to order

### II. Approval of the Agenda

*Jennifer Miller*

Bill Tong moved to approve, Gary Thompson seconded

### III. Approval of the Minutes for February 16, 2024

*Jennifer Miller*

[February 16, 2024 Minutes](#)

Bill moved to approve, Jody Ponzo seconded the motion

### VI. Student Council Updates

*Gary Thompson*

- Alex - prom is being organized: decorations, theme is "Tangled", will be revealed on movie night April 4th (movie is Tangled), UA Grand Ballroom; Powder Puff football game April 12, 40 girls and all proceeds will go to Special Olympics; Weds Aug 21 is the annual Spirit Conference that will take place on our campus
- Isai - April 29 is the spring blood drive - trying to reach out to adults and staff to remind students and to also donate blood
- Alex - election season: voting coming up and everything due today
- Gary - teacher appreciation breakfast is currently being planned; bingo night, basketball, and paperwork deadline is today; GCU asked to set up a booth at the conference and if so, they are willing to donate food; AFC gives \$1200 towards food and snacks for both students and advisors; still in the process of figuring out logistics
- Bill Tong may advertise for sponsors
- Thank you Student Council!!

### V. 2023-24 Focus area(s) discussion

*All*

- *Survey Data- 367 parents, 1061/870 Students, 88 Faculty*
- *Some results to share*
- Jody - accreditation process for our school, and we've been discussing the survey as it is part of the process, and the plan for the school is due in October.
- Jen - thanks again to Justin for helping; sent out 7 surveys and 367 parents responded, and 88 faculty responded, and out of two surveys 1000 responded to

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one, and 800 to the other, and so we have some teacher info on classroom environment sorted by things happening in the classroom and what they are doing; now we have info to compare to previous surveys; some similarities of questions; "how do the students feel", "how do you feel when at work"; different questions for parents/students/faculty; one of the highest ones was respected and supported; this summer the data will be analyzed and then will write up the plan for improvement and info on how we have improved - what we are doing well

- Jody - asked the three classroom teachers present why they thought the students did not do the surveys during the advisory
- Gary - had to push them to finish
- Jen - the surveys were long
- Bernadette - they did have an opportunity and enough time to take it
- Chris - a 50% response rate is actually what we usually get, and we wish it was more, but since it's optional, 50% is positive for optional surveys
- Bill - is there guidance during advisory? Jody - yes videos, directions, updates, info to present to kids
- Jody - next year there will be new topic areas to focus on

### VII. FFO Updates

*Jody Ponzo*

- Extended ticket sale deadline to May 17, so please get the word out to advertise to seniors/families to buy tickets!
- College visits are still coming to visit
- Teacher appreciation this month and next

### VIII. Counseling Updates

*Robin Larson*

- Test proctoring (AzSci, ACT, Aspire, AP exams in May)
- 9-11th grade CFHS College Info Night held Weds March 20 - new format of general session, then breakout groups of 9-10th grade parents/students, and one for 11th grade parents/students; more focus on what students do in MaiaLearning to prepare for post-high school, and timeline for college planning
- ASVAB today! (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)
- Course Selection - finishing up with missing course request forms and students with no courses selected in VUE - goal is by April 16 to have all student course selections reviewed and validated by counselors
- Falcon Shadow Days continuing (two more - one today and one more in April) - prospective rising 9th graders attending 8th grade outside of the CFHS district have opportunity to spend half a day on our campus, shadowing a current student and sitting in on classes of interest
- Girls State and Boys State selections made

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- Two counselors attended the AzSCA (Arizona School Counselors Association) conference in Phx in February
- Held Falcon College & Career Connections event during advisory on Feb 12 - successful event with about 1200 students participating and over 40 guest speaker options - thanks to Justin for the tech help, and thanks to Julie Farbarik, Chris Lambert, Justin Robinson, Lori Leary, and Robin Larson as the Falcon Connections committee
- New counseling dept positions/hires (9th full-time counselor, CCC hired, replacement for Jenny)
- Going back into senior English classes to check in and have students add final plans into their MaiaLearning accounts, discuss next steps for college, and any other questions students may have

### IX. School Updates

*Jody Brase*

- Hiring updates: Social Studies has two openings; Science has one opening - Terry Fortunato retiring; Math has an additional FTE and one opening, so looking for two math teachers; PE we have one opening; Special Education has two openings; Counseling has added positions - Julie McCrea retiring; Jenny Couch moving to principal's office, and hiring for her position for counseling assistant position; Justin moving to district position, so filling an Ed Tech position; looking for football coach
- New addition: orchestra and guitar classrooms are being finished - moving into the classrooms in August and this will free up two classrooms in House 4 (a science classroom and an open room)
- We are tight on classroom space, so the timing for this is great to provide additional space
- Also, another area the community can rent
- Musical just finished, and it was excellent
- Spring athletics under way
- Band leaves tonight to go to Hawaii for the week to perform there
- Field trip today for science
- Choir and orchestra traveling to California
- Honors and awards coming up - seniors and 9-11th
- Falcon fly-out being organized for seniors to visit elementary and middle schools

### X. Testing

*Justin Robinson*

- AzSci was Wednesday, Social Studies and some fine arts teachers and counselors proctored
- ACT is Weds, April 3rd
- Aspire for 9th graders is April 16

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- Jody - when we get results for all three assessments in the fall, Site Council will get access to these for discussion
- AP exam testing time frame goes right up to the last day for seniors, and we are up 200 more exams for this year (AP Precalc, AP Comp Sci, then AP Psych next year)
- Gary - AzSci was very smooth, and nice thing about switching to the ACT is that the SAT does not have openings until Aug or Sept
- Robin - ACT becoming important again, as colleges are using scores for admissions and scholarships

### **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*

- Adjourned: 8:36 AM