

# CATALINA FOOTHILLS HIGH SCHOOL

## SITE COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES - #4

APRIL 10TH, 2023

7:45AM

### I. Call Meeting to Order

*Jody Brase*

In attendance: Courtney Tong, Isai Valenzuela, Isabela Mendoza, Spencer Chan, Jennifer Miller, Justin Robinson, Robin Larson, Bernadette Moreno, Taylor Waterworth, Gary Thompson, Julie Vanegas, Jody Brase, Monisha Patel, Eddie Uche

\*\*\*\* **Next scheduled meeting we will change to Friday, April 28th at 7:45.**

- 7:50 AM meeting called to order by Jody

### II. Approval of the Agenda

*Jennifer Miller*

Monisha Patel approved, Julie Vanegas seconded the motion

### III. Approval of the Minutes for January 30th, 2023

*Jennifer Miller*

January 30th, 2023 Minutes

Monisha approved, Taylor seconded

- **Jody** asked Gary to have new/all StudCo members introduce themselves - Isai Valenzuela is our new freshman

### VI. Student Council Updates

*Gary Thompson*

- Isabela - this Friday is an elementary reading day at Manzanita - StudCo members rotate to the schools; prom is coming up
- Courtney - powder puff is coming up as well; prom pep rally, and then winter formal venues for next year
- Spencer - movie night in gym was successful, 3 on 3 basketball tournament as well; working with the counseling dept and Link Crew to provide Falcon Shadow days for possible NTD students; super smash bros tournament today as well
- Gary - prom video coming out today; last year was a huge increase in attendance; over 800 showed, and we have to be careful of the fire code; this year, prom will only be open to seniors the first week, and then juniors and seniors at a lower price, and then the last week, ticket sales will be cut off at 800 with students being outside of our school able to come with their date (priority being given to CFHS students first); difficult to find venues - more corporate events and student events are less \$ than corporate
- Courtney - winter formal was Ventana, but they never sent the quote and then responded that they are experiencing a buyout, and looking elsewhere is difficult due to the size - there is also the state convention and the gem show are at that time
- Gary - difficult to change the time frame for various reasons; Falcon Community Club reached out to StudCo, to ask for a prom, and so it could possibly be a mini prom on campus in the Life Skills room with a pizza dinner, and sound system, etc.
- Jody asked Jen Miller to discuss graduation updates - Jen says bringing back the

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Falcon Flyout at elementary and middle schools for seniors to go in their cap/gown to visit their old schools on the 25th; speaker tryouts are next week; today is the senior meeting in the auditorium; rehearsal is the 24th, graduation the 25th, and grad night following graduation; Senior Honors Ceremony is Monday the 22nd for weighted 3.75 or higher

- Jody - Academic Award Night (9, 10, 11) is the 18th of April

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

*All*

- Jody reviewed all of the focus areas (positive and negative)
- Justin asked if there was a shift in tardies with the bells being back
- Gary said the 7-minute passing period is very welcomed due to having more time in between kids leaving and entering room; and from staff to staff, we've been working hard in our CIT groups and the conversations and group dynamic has been outstanding due to being able to pick the group/interest points
- Robin agrees with the positive aspects of the CIT meetings - meeting staff she's not had the chance to work with
- Spencer feels the 7-minute passing period is positive, and hopefully with bells back, students will be more responsible
- Isabela - when classes are closer, there are more groups gathering, but for other students having to get across campus, go to the restroom, or drop something off in counseling or front office, students have time to do this in between classes
- Jody asked what we can do to encourage students to be on time? If given more time, and students are still late, why are students still late?
- Eddie - student incentive is big
- Bernadette - on the student accountability team and there is an admin also on their team, and this is part of their discussion - what consequences can we leverage to have students see the importance of being on time? Mixed message if some teachers don't have consequences and some do - lose parking spot? No prom? What are the privileges and what are the consequences?
- Jody - it's maybe 10% who are not on time chronically
- Eddie - maybe monetary incentive?
- Justin - lose a privilege, but possibly earn it back? Community service you have to do? Punishment has to be tailored to the individual.
- Gary - 7 minutes we see as beneficial, and many issues are socialization issues - we can focus on the smaller percents if we focus on the issue itself as a whole
- Bernadette - consistency is so important among teachers; protocol is sometimes "self-punishing" when teachers set up rules/punishment; how do we teach accepting consequences "with honor"
- Spencer - cell phones/ear buds have been around forever; perhaps implement a box

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in each class, and it's a ten-minute time out box - student has to put it in the box if they are using it during class time

- Jody - asked students is it difficult to have different consequences/expectations per class?
- Isabela - it's easy to adjust to different teachers' expectations, but an individual teacher may not be consistent day to day which is harder
- Bernadette/Justin - it's difficult for the teacher who does enforce expectations when others don't
- Taylor - has consequences and has not had but one third infraction
- Courtney - students may be late to classes they like less than others
- Isabela - Mr. Thompson's policy works - not a strict punishment, but an expectation
- Gary - would like to have district/admin establish a baseline for cell phones, tardies, etc. and more clear/consistent communication in advance of parents/students knowing before he knows things (eg - schedule)
- Justin - clear expectations need to be sent home as well

### VII. FFO Updates

*Eileen Pastorious*

- Jody, on behalf of Eileen: clothing drive, and now grad night; FFO meeting coming up, and we talk about many similar topics as we cover in Site Council

### VIII. Counseling Updates

*Robin Larson*

- Test proctoring: CCRA, ACT, AzSci finished, ACT Aspire for freshmen, AP testing in May
- Course Selection: still collecting Course Request Forms (CRF's)
- Setting up New to District meetings
- Saturday course selection date set up for NTD freshmen
- Senior Honors Ceremony and Academic Award Night
- Close credit and grade watch for seniors' graduation status
- Gary - what is our maximum enrollment?
- Jody - school capacity is 2000 - we take as many as we can and hire more teachers. We close OE in the summer if we can not hire new staff

### IX. School Updates

*Jody Brase*

- Covered in other areas

### X. Testing

*Justin Robinson*

- 9th grade ASPIRE is next week
- May is two weeks straight of AP testing
- Jody - manpower to do testing is huge - trainings of teachers, desk and classroom

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space, laptops, school day disruption/schedule - behind the scenes is a lot of man hours and manpower

### XI. Call to Public

*Jody Brase*

- Any questions/comments at this time - none
- 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*

- 9:50 AM meeting adjourned

#### *Upcoming Meetings:*

- April 24, 2023 - changed to **Friday, April 28, 2023**