

# HHS SAC Meeting Minutes



**10/20/2020**

- *Minutes compiled by Kristen K. Brown*

## **I. Introductions.**

Attendees included:

- Sarah Oh
- Betsy Gilland
- Ms. Wilcox
- HHS Administrators: Erin Grazak & Amanda Schwerdt-Johnson
- HHS Administrative Officer: Steve Elliott
- Student representatives: Jaren Freeman, Evelyn Park
- Terry Weaver
- Candace Perryman
- Laura Corder
- Priscilla Roman
- Joey Johnson
- J. Weidley
- Caressa Smythe
- Hetty Flanery
- Jennifer Smith
- Col. Mike Tremblay
- Chonghui Pak
- Ashley Gooch
- Peg Houk
- Ben Pak
- Idalia Rodriguez
- Heather Dunton
- Katrina Schwerdt
- Jeff Arrington
- Tess Sterling

## **II. Call Meeting to Order & Roll Call.**

- Motion to start meeting - J. Matlock; seconded.

## **III. Review of EOY Report.**

- Driver's education for HHS students.
- Garrison support w/MP patrols @ high school (much appreciated).
- Request for medical support at athletic events; policy proposal submitted.
- Proposal for additional Honors courses added to HHS master schedule.
- Unit sponsorship of school still needed. (501st MI Brigade - 4 battalions - offered to sponsor HHS).

#### **IV. Admin response to EOY Report.**

- Request re: Honors courses elevated to DoDEA HQ via Dr. Arrington.
- Humphreys installation willing to work with DoDEA district on med support at sporting events.
- Col. Tremblay input: will talk w/Dave Zimmerman (possibly elevate to 8th Army) for medical support at contact, high-risk athletic events.
- Gilland: list of sports, coordinate. Question: What happens if Col. T leaves and no policy is in place?
- Col. T response: MOU that outlines tasks delegated to EMTs, physicians, etc.
- Mrs. Matlock sought clarification on the history of the request re: Honors courses. (Gilland and Oh responded).

#### **V. Elections of Officers for Committee.**

- Chair - Tess Sterling (11)
- Vice Chair - Caroline Pickering (10)
- Secretary - Kristen Brown (6)
- Nominations: Oh nominated Carolyn Pickering for Chair (seconded); J. Smith nominated Tess Sterling for Chair (seconded); P. Roman nominated Tess Sterling for Vice Chair (seconded); voting conducted mid-meeting. Election results appear next to each nominee/candidate name above.

#### **VI. Reports.**

- Principal's Report - delayed due to campus student-related emergency, but many items will be covered on the agenda.
- Garrison Report - Homecoming Parade on Thursday
- School Liaison Officer Report - Melody Hill unable to attend today. SAC Secretary will forward today's minutes to Ms. Hill

#### **VII. Old Business.**

- NEO/DoDEA policy for teachers with children attending schools other than where they teach. Ms. S-J recommended this be placed on New Business so this can be investigated further. L. Corder commented that there is an implied *in loco parentis* requirement for

teachers. K. Brown will ask the HHS campus NEO warden about this issue and will report back to the SAC ASAP.

### **VIII. New Business.**

- Counselor Support. re: Schedule Preparation.
  - Suggested Improvements: Master schedule prepared in Spring, counselors back to work earlier in August. Ms. S-J responded that the master schedule will be prepared in the spring, and students will receive schedules before departing for summer break. The master schedule may be adjusted based on student needs. Counselors can voluntarily return from summer break to prepare for the fall.
  - There were four counselors last year but there are only three now.
  - Gilland inquired about how the SAC could support the Counseling Department. Ms. Perryman replied that she would meet with the Counseling Department for its consensus and respond.
- 10/14/2020 PSAT/NMSQT issues
  - Preplanning; late notice
  - Testing irregularity (test that was given was administered on the wrong date).
    - Ms. S-J: when ordering the test, the wrong box was selected.
      - District notified, College Board notified. HHS admins sent a parent letter re: irregularity. College Board's decision is pending.
    - P. Roman: Test date felt rushed, student test room locations unclear, bus transportation issues.
    - Ms. S-J: College Board has the option to validate, invalidate, or retake (3-4 weeks before College Board will notify HHS of its determination).
    - C. Pickering: HMS had tests ordered in time and received tests in time.
    - Ms. S-J: HHS ordered tests in time but due to a shipping delay, the order for 9th grade was not received in time.
    - Hetty Flanery: More thorough internal measures needed, preparations in place, protocols followed to avoid future test irregularities.
    - J. Matlock: If CB allows students to retake PSAT/NMSQT, when will that be?
    - H. Flanery: January 26, 2021.
    - B. Gilland: What repercussions are there for students whose tests might be invalidated? Scholarship opportunities?
    - H. Flanery: Will keep "pressing the issue" for CB's determination. Will remain transparent with HHS stakeholders re: CB's response.

### **IX. COVID Mitigation.**

- Ms. S-J: 100% of Health Pre-screening forms from faculty, staff & students have been received by the HHS main office/admins.

- B. Gilland: Continuity of education & college students returning for holidays. Does DoDEA have a plan for families who are traveling and for those who are in quarantine/ROM/isolation?
- L. Corder: AP/CB has stated it is not altering times for international students or due to the pandemic.
- Ms. S-J: Teachers are still using Google Classroom as a platform to post daily assignments so that students can stay caught up.
- B. Gilland: Masks during HHS athletics. Standards on the installation differ (ex. people can play at Super Gym, no mask required).
- B. Pak: DoDEA policy stipulates that masks must be worn at all times in school except when eating. All players, coaches, medics, refs, admins, etc. must wear a mask too.
- Ms. S-J: HHS is the only school in DoDEA currently offering indoor fall sports, therefore the stated health protection measures are in place.
- B. Pak: Student-athletes may remove masks after having run 100 yards outdoors.
- B. Gilland: Are any parents going to be allowed to attend sporting events?
- Ms. S-J: No. However, some of the events will be livestreamed.
- B. Gilland: What about parents who want to record students for college scouts? Is anyone monitoring to ensure parents aren't attending?
- B. Pak: POC for this responsibility.
- J. Weidley: In order for many kids to get into colleges, film footage is the only way they can get noticed by college scouts.
- Ms. S-J: Individuals can elevate the request for policy variance on parents being allowed to attend sporting events, or this can become a SAC issue.
- B. Gilland: Requested this issue be made a SAC issue to be elevated.
- A. Gooch: Suggested Athletic Director monitor a tripod-mounted video camera used to record student-athletes at events.
- B. Gilland proposed a subcommittee be formed to elevate this request. C. Pickering agreed to serve on this subcommittee.
- Ms. S-J suggested that SAC collectively look further into this issue.

#### **X. Next Steps.**

- Next meeting tentatively set for November 17 @ 1600.
- Items not covered on today's approved agenda due to time constraints roll to the November meeting agenda.

#### **XI. Adjournment.**

- Motion to adjourn called by B. Gilland (seconded).
- Meeting concluded at 1730.

