

HHS SCHOOL COUNCIL

May 17, 2022 (5 PM) via Zoom

In attendance: Anderson, Cavanaugh, Davis, Garland, Hoguet, Knight, Lee, Lefort, Mathews, McPhillips, Melendes, Rabinovitz, P. Swanson, R. Swanson, Sutton, - 15 total.

Absent: Jefford, Pena, Struzziero, Whitlock - 4 total.

1 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting (April 27, 2022) were approved unanimously.

2 - SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT GOAL #2 ("ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP")

RS and JM shared several items related to environmental initiatives at HHS:

- The "Slash of the Trash" spring season is well underway. The baseball team currently holds first place.
- Harbor Media put together a "Get Schooled" segment about Green Week; it will feature the HHS Green Team.
- Green Team elections will be held on Thursday, May 18th. The Green Team will merge with the Botany Club and Beekeeping Club next year. The vote on 5/18 will determine officers for the 2022-2023 school year.
- We have had an influence not only in our community, but nationally as well! A school in Illinois had googled ways to improve school recycling, and HHS was one of the first responses in the search bar. We were happy to speak with them and share some tips on what we've been doing here at HHS.

3 - STUDENT HANDBOOK

Members continued the conversation about what we can address to make changes for the upcoming school year.

1) updating the "Technology Acceptable Use" policy:

-GG will touch base with Joe Andrews about usage of VPNs. We should collectively look at the language surrounding the policy to incorporate the appropriation of using such apps and devices.

2) “modernizing” the “Academic Integrity” section


-Spoke of updating the language about cheating in terms of using the internet while completing online assessments

3) Dress code

-Possible removal of the word “distracting” (pg 25)

-Members agreed that this is a charged word, and we can come together to find a way to make a more positive statement while still getting our point across

4) Google Doc from KS-

 HHS School Council Copy of Objectives for Gender Neutral Dresscode

5) Addressing language used in bullying section of Student Handbook:

-The word “handicap” is outdated and should be changed

-This section does not fully cover harassment towards LGBTQ+ and neurodiverse students, etc.

-Can we reach out to the District Equity Team to review this section?

4 - UPCOMING MEETINGS

Next HHS School Council meeting: 6/15