

**Yosemite High School
SIP Minutes
April 9, 2007**

Call to Order: Tony Mowrer called the meeting to order at 3:18 p.m. Mr. Mowrer then announced teacher Deborah Brown had resigned from Site Council and Yosemite Teacher Association (YTA) president Carole Calderwood has been notified. Ms. Calderwood will now put the word out to teachers that a Site Council teacher position is available.

Roll Call: Haily Abbott, Steve Raupp, George Stillman, Tony Mowrer, Mary Chirola, Sarah Prince, Becky Stolp, Betsy Blum, Christi MacLaggan

Audience of Visitors: none

Approval of March 5, 2007 Minutes: Mary Chirola moved to approve the minutes and Sarah Prince seconded the motion. Vote carried unanimously.

Approval of the April 9, 2007 Agenda: Christi MacLaggan moved to approve the agenda and Haily Abbott seconded the motion. Vote carried unanimously.

New, Proposed Policies:

Electronic Signaling Devices, Cell Phones, Ipods (Proposed changes in **bold** lettering) Ed. Code Section 58901.5 prohibits the possession or use of any electronic signaling device on school grounds without the prior consent of the principal. **Ipods are prohibited on school grounds. Students may possess cell phones on campus but they are to be turned off and put away, except before and after school and at lunch. Cell phones which are used during the school day, including during passing periods, will be confiscated.** Repeat offenses will be treated as a defiance of school authority.

After a somewhat lengthy discussion Mr. Raupp said he would indicate to the YHS school board that site council members are in agreement about no ipods at school but the members would like ipods allowed at extracurricular activities especially on those long bus trips.

SIP council high school students indicated they would like to see cell phone usage during passing periods but not in the classroom. Mr. Raupp said he would pass these thoughts onto the school board as well.

High School Graduation Requirements – Course Requirements (Proposed changes in **bold** lettering) **Four** courses in physical education unless the student has been exempted pursuant to Education Code 51241 (Education Code 51225.3) **Students who meet the District's minimum proficiency requirement**

may have the physical education requirement waived in their junior and senior year.

There was little discussion in regards to this proposed policy change as Mr. Raupp informed SIP members this 4-year requirement is state-mandated.

Extracurricular and Cocurricular Activities – Eligibility Requirements (Proposed changes in **bold** lettering) To be eligible to participate in extracurricular and cocurricular activities, students in grades 7 through 12 must demonstrate satisfactory educational progress in the previous grading period including but not limited to: (Education Code 35160.5) 1. Maintenance of a minimum of 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale 2. Maintenance of a minimum progress toward meeting high school graduation requirements **3. High school students must pass a minimum of 30 credits in the preceding grading period.** The Administration may grant ineligible students a probationary period of not more than one **grading period. Students must have earned a minimum of 25 credits in the previous grading period in order to qualify for probation.** Students granted probationary eligibility must meet the **terms of probation in order to remain eligible for participation. Students must meet the required eligibility standards** by the end of the probationary period in order to remain eligible for participation.

The Administration may **suspend or** revoke a student's eligibility for participation in extracurricular and cocurricular activities when the student's poor citizenship **or irregular attendance** is serious enough to warrant loss of this privilege. **Students must be in attendance the entire school day in order to participate in co-curricular practices or contests unless there is a valid excuse as defined in the school attendance policy (medical or dental appointment, funeral, court appearance, etc.). Students who are excused due to illness may not participate in practices or competition. Students who are suspended from school for one day, on or off campus, shall be placed on non-privilege status for one week. Students who are suspended from school for more than one day, on or off campus, shall be placed on non-privilege status for two weeks.**

Discussion on this policy change was a mixed bag. One parent voiced her concerns the present policy is working and doesn't need to change. Two teachers indicated they like the proposed change in that it provides a hook to students to be interested in school at all times, whether it be the desire to get off probation or not to go on probation in the first place.

Parent Connect Update

Parent connect is an online program whereby parents are given a pin number to check on their student's assignments, grades, and class calendars. Parent connect is not yet in place but YHS staff members are working hard to get it online.

Review Judy Durr request; Review Arlene Aoki/Carole Calderwood request; Review Kellie Romine request

These requests were for relatively small monetary amounts from remaining 2006- 2007 SIP funds.

YHS Web page designer Judy Durr requested \$110 for equipment. Sarah Prince moved and Haily Abbott seconded to grant Ms. Durr's request. Vote carried unanimously.

Science teachers Arlene Aoki and Carole Calderwood requested \$300 for a field trip. Steve Raupp moved and Haily Abbott seconded to grant this request. Vote carried unanimously.

Kellie Romine requested funds for a computer tower for the career center. Christi MacLaggan moved and Sarah Prince seconded to grant this funding request. Vote carried unanimously.

Review New and Updated Proposals

With the deadline past (late budget requests were due by March 29, 2007) SIP members went over the proposals and gave them preliminary priority rankings. Proposals were given Priority A ranking (most likely would get funded) or a B ranking (funded case-by-case if funds were available).

Proposal name	name	ranking	amount
Senior Project snacks	English Dept.	A	\$300.00
STAR testing snacks	Ward	A	2,000.00
Academic Achievement	Raupp	B	1,000.00
2 hr/day para-educator	Clevenger	A	5,000.00
Peer tutoring program	Clevenger	B	1,000.00
Peer mediation camp	Shaffer	A	3,700.00
History day	Blum	A	2,000.00
Library extended hours	Blum	A	10,000.00
Library computers	Blum	B	9,000.00
Library books	Blum	B	3,000.00
Mock trial request	Brown	A	5,151.00
Academic Decathlon	Browning	A	4,000.00
Science field trip	Calderwood	A	1,500.00
College tutors	Calderwood	B	6,000.00
Octuris	Cole	A	2,750.00
National park	Klimbal	A	900.00
Challenge day	Lusby	A	5,400.00
Choral	Mowrer	A	7,000.00
Honor choir	Mowrer	B	2,500.00
Edugame system	Nobles	A	2,750.00
Career Center	Romine	A	27,840.00
Career Center supplies	Romine	A	7,131.00
Student support	Shaffer	A	10,000.00
Questia.com	Skeahan	A	2,569.60
Improv. Workshop	Thorson	A	1,200.00

New Business: No new business

Next Meeting: Next meeting is Monday, May 7, 2007 in the Ansel Adams Conference Room at 3:15 p.m.

Adjournment: Christi MacLaggan moved and Sarah Prince seconded to adjourn the meeting. Vote carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.