

Huntington School Council Meeting

Date: Feb 2, 2016

Members Present: Ms. Love, Mr. Heath, Ms. Blackwell, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Ethridge, Mr. Scott

Members Absent:

Dr. Taylor, Mrs. Smith

Call to order: Love, secretary, called meeting to order

Reflection: T. Love – Ms. Love shared how like families have family trees, schools are like families and have family trees. We will miss an important part of our family, Mrs. Braunstein, because of her retirement. She will always be family and we wish her all the best.

Pledge of Allegiance: Love, secretary, led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda: Ms. Love distributed the agenda posted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act.

Moved, seconded, and carried that the school council approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION: Heath ; **SECOND:** Young

VOTE: YES 7 NO 0

Approval of Minutes:

Moved, seconded, and carried that the school council approve the minutes of the Sept 1, 2015 meeting of the HMS School Council.

MOTION: Heath ; **SECOND:** Blackwell

VOTE: YES 7 NO 0

Visitors: Mr. Harvey

Report of Principal:

Dr. Taylor is currently at GASSP Meeting in Athens and would like to thank those who came this morning.

EOG Night – Parent Night will be this Thursday, Feb 4th from 5-7. From 5-6 Omega Si Phi will provide dinner and connection teachers will be on hand to talk with parent. Parents will be dismissed from 6-7 to meet with content teachers to discuss strategies that can be used to prepare for the upcoming EOG testing.

EOG Testing –

-Results have come back and were sent home with report cards. We are all still learning how to read and use data that came back. Teachers are still learning how to use the results to help students.

- All grades will take the test on-line this year. Parents asked if programs have been worked on to provide a smoother testing. We are using a different testing company so we are not really sure. 8th graders will be testing first, then 7th grade and lastly 6th graders.

- 8th Graders results on English portion will be graded first since it is a gate year again. Ms. Blackwell explained if a student fails any portion of the English/Language Arts portion (writing, reading, language arts) they have to take the whole portion over.

EL Students – Access Test

EL students are having to test on-line this time as well. The speaking, reading, writing, and listening portions will all be done on-line using this new company. This can give us an indication of how well the other testing may be done.

ITBS- 6th Graders

The results from the 6th grade ITBS have come back and have been sent home for parents to see. Call-outs about that were sent so parents can look for them.

SLOs – Connections

Students in connections have to complete the pre and post SLOs for each class in 7th grade. Next year it has been stated that 6th graders will also have to begin taking the SLOs for connection classes.

Email/Voice Mail

Parents brought up the fact that they have a real hard time emailing teachers because their emails end up in SPAM, clutter, etc. It can take days, weeks, and even a month. If they respond to an email then they can communicate that way but if not they do not get through. Ms. Love brought up the fact they could use the voice system to send a voice email to the teacher. They could of course call the office and leave a message for the teacher.

Mr. Harvey said we would check to see if there was a way to provide a list of phone extensions for all the teachers so they could be contacted that way.

Old Business –

none

New Business

none

Adjourn: Motion – Heath ; Second- Scott
Vote: YES 7 NO 0