



Date: 10 Sept. 2024 @ 1530

## VHS School Advisory Committee (SAC) Agenda

### Attendees:

Ms. Beth Potter, SLO  
Ms. Jami Bahmer, Teacher  
Ms. Kathy Graves, Substitute Teacher  
Ms. Andrea Gaspard, Substitute Teacher and Parent  
Mr. Michael Morris, Educational Technologist  
Dr. Moufidah Hassen Nefoussi, Parent  
Dr. Doris Brodie, Assistant Principal  
Mr. Marc Villarreal, Principal

### Agenda Items

- Introductory Remarks/Review Agenda by SAC Chair.
  - Mr. Villarreal began the meeting by asking everyone in attendance to introduce themselves and noting that presently there is no SAC chairperson.
- Principal's Report.
  - We are trying to automate information and procedures and make them digitally accessible for students and parents. We will be reminding students to use the digital resources that are available to them.
  - Mr. Villarreal has initiated the use of social media to communicate school news and events and in the future students will be featured doing this.
  - Upcoming dates to remember:
    - 24 September is a half day for students
    - 4 October is a half day for students
    - Mr. Villarreal will be sending out reminders of these upcoming ½ days
  - Athletics and student activities are up and running and Vicenza High School's official Homecoming is 4 October. The Homecoming football match will be with the JV Team from Stuttgart.
  - Mr. Villarreal thanked Ms. Bahmer for sponsoring the Club Fair and said that said that the club sponsors will give the students the opportunity to join clubs that they may have not known about.

### **VHS SAC Charter:**

The VHS SAC advises the VHS principal on all local school-related matters, including educational programs, resources, services, and policies.

### **Goal 1:**

Develop communication that enhances participation in school activities.

### **Goal 2:**

Develop partnerships that enhance student experience and academics.

### **Goal 3:**

Work to solve school issues and problems at the lowest appropriate level.

- In answer to a parent question, Mr. Villarreal stated that Career Tech Education pre testing was being conducted at this time. The purpose of the testing is to see if the material being taught is in alignment with the intended outcomes.
- This is week 4. We will not be emailing progress reports. Parents must go into Aspen to see their student's grade progress. Mr. Villarreal and Mr. Morris will send out reminders to parents.
- School Liaison Officer's (SLO) Report, Beth Potter
  - Ms. Potter inquired about the teacher representatives for SAC.
  - Two vending machines were requested: a refrigerated and a freezing vending machine. The refrigerated vending machine looks promising. The freezing machine is considered competing with AAFES. Dr. Brahaney will decide if the vending machine can be placed in the school.
  - Dr. Brahaney will be in Vicenza on 20 October, and will discuss Cultural Enrichment Opportunities during away games.
  - The shuttle bus starts this week. The LR is possibly coming back under the Command and this will allow more flexibility.
- PTSA Rep's Report.
  - Ms. Bahmer shared that Ms. Naomi Garza will be the PTSA vice president this year.
- Booster Club Report
  - Last Year Booster funded:
    - \$5075 in support of athletes, drama, band, and Euros competitions
    - \$1500 in scholarships for seniors
    - \$1550 in varsity letter and pins
    - \$2100 in Champion and Runner-up Banners
  - August Activities:
    - \$1200 already donated for fall sports (\$200 to seed each sport's SAF account)
    - Over 30 members and appreciate your support
    - Membership drive continues
    - Sports Concessions and Snack Shack raised over \$2000 last week.
- Student Representative's Report.
  - There was no Student Representative. Ms. Bahmer will check to see if Jackson will continue as student representative. Ms. Bahmer shared that the students
  - Are working to plan Homecoming. The theme is Alice in Wonderland. There will be a Powder Puff game on Thursday, 3 October sponsored by CYS. Information will be sent to parents soliciting parent volunteers.
- New Business
  - IAC Meetings will be held in the Middle School library on the following dates:
    - 17 September
    - 17 October
    - 18 March

- 12 May
  - IAC Agenda Items:
    - The shuttle bus needs to be kept high on the agenda with high visibility.
    - We also want to keep the initiative of places/things to do for newcomers on the agenda.
    - Vending machines for students
    - Villaggio-Ederle bus
- Wednesday Lunch time at 10:25
  - Student athletes and after school clubs are starving by 1540.
  - Is it possible to have lunch after P3 or P7 on Wednesdays (lunch at 1140)
  - Mr. Villarreal shared the proposal to possibly change the lunch time on short days. We could have period 1,2 and 3 and then lunch. We are now eating lunch at 10:25a, then with the change lunch would be about 11:40a, Ms Bahmer mentioned that consideration of middle school lunch and JROTC students had to be looked into.
  - A discussion on lunch was held. Ms. Graves said that students seemed ok with eating at 10:25am and Ms. Bahmer said she had not heard any complaints from students.
- Open Forum
  - Ms. Gaspard wanted to know about the in school SAT test date this Fall. Would Seniors be able to take the Fall in school test date despite taking it prior as Juniors in the Spring? This would allow athletes the ability to take the test and not miss games, particularly given short Seasons.
  - Ms. Gaspard had a question and concern about transcripts accurately indicating course names for students who have attended different schools. She gave the example of her child having taken honors courses but they were not put on the DoDEA transcript. Mr. Villarreal said he would bring this up with District Leadership.
  - Dr. Hassen Nefoussi asked if there are any resources for seniors to help them with the college application process such as college essays, scholarships. Mr. Villarreal shared that 3 days were going to be set aside to plan senior activities and he would look into this.

**Scheduled Future VHS SAC Meetings:**

Mr. Villarreal said that he would like to have monthly SAC meetings. The next dates were tentatively scheduled"

- 8 October 2024
- 12 November 2024
- 10 December 2024
- 4 January 2025
- 11 February 2025
- 11 March 2025
- 8 April 2025
- 6 May 2025
- ? June 2024