



## VHS School Advisory Committee Agenda/Minutes

**January 14, 2025**

### **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.

### **Agenda Items**

- Open Meeting at 3:35
  - Brief Introductions
  - Voting members identified
  - Review agenda by SAC Chair, Amy Brock

#### **Principals Report – Mr. Villarreal**

- UN in Prague – bus departure January 22
- Educator’s Rising in February
- Four more weeks of regular sports
- January 23 – training day afternoon for teachers
- January 23 – morning activities to be run by Anne Sansone

- seeking volunteers
- Semester grades to be finalized and inputted for Student Report Cards.
- Career Fair is March 10
- Seeking volunteers

### **School Liaison Offer's Report – Beth Potter**

- IAC meeting was on Dec. 16
- Law Enforcement presentation for faculty regarding theft at the high school set for the near future.
- Continued discussion on first semester and second semester teacher conferences.

### **Student Representative's Report – Jackson Brock**

- Concern regarding teachers delay in inputting grades until the last week of semester.
- Reminder of teachers' weekly obligation to input grades
- Students need to advocate to the teacher of their concern. If nothing changes, follow the change of command.
- The discussion was brought up by Rivera about leeway for athletes for eligibility purposes.

### **Teacher Report – Gillette/Ambruoso**

- Communication with teachers/school for those students who are withdrawing early
- Need to focus on those issues to catch early withdraw so as not to hamper credits with students at transfer location

### **StuCo Sponsor Representative's Report- Jamie Bahmer**

- Finished year with End of Year celebration
  - o Support of parents with the after party and activities made the event a great success
- Upcoming Spirit Olympics – tentative May 16 date
- Seeking Field Day volunteers
- Prom is May 17
- PTSA grant to support Mental Health Awareness in connection with Field Day
- Graduation must be held on post.
  - o Class size necessitates alternative locations for graduation.
  - o Outside area on school grounds is an option.
- Discussion on phone usage in the classroom

- 2023 study shows mental health issues and anxiety are effects from phone usage.
- Seeking research how other schools are dealing with phone usage in the classroom.
- Asking for proposals for the following year and how to deal with phone usage in the classroom.

### **Private Organizations' Report – PTSA, VCC, Booster Club, Drama**

- PTSA
  - No PTSA representative – no news to report
- VCC
  - Shout out for scholarships. Link on VHS website
  - 100 euro given to UN Club
- Booster Club
  - Discussion with Jordan, Rivera, Thomas
    - Finance Report passed out to attendees by Jason Jordan
    - Each presented reasoning for the purpose of involvement.
      - Financial Algebra, FBLA, Student Activities Fund, Sports
    - Rivera is the point of contact for the schedule which is released two weeks' prior.
    - Ballots give to the voting SAC members to determine how the involvement will be dispersed.
- Drama Club
  - No spring play because the lack of funding
  - Club has grown significantly the past two years
  - Seeking an adult sponsor to be in charge

### **Open Forum**

- SAT testing
  - Latest SAT exam there was distraction with noise
  - Meet with ED Center proposed to test elsewhere or the Middle School
  - Question of who makes the decision when the SAT test is offered and where it is offered within the DODEA school system