

# Hamden High School (HHS) School Governance Council

HHS SGC Minutes – January 27, 2020, 6pm

Location: HHS Media Center

## Attendance

- Frank Dixon
- Nadine Gannon
- Mark Zarillo
- Nancy Restivo
- Jack Purdue
- Evelyn Cumberbatch
- Ann Stiltner
- John Hanna

## Welcome - Frank Dixon

- Frank - Welcomed the council back for the new year and reiterated the focus on identifying top priorities for the committee and the focus on sub-committee members and agendas.
- Frank - Because of lack of low attendance at tonight's meeting there must be an increase in vertical communication prior to the next meeting.

## Principal Report - Principal Gannon

- Due to the current internet challenges in the Hamden School system, all staff will have to turn in all hard and software as a part of a full cleanup process. Expectations are the internet will be restored the 1st week of February.
- Principal Gannon stated all students who submitted college applications prior to internet challenges should not have any issues with college submissions; all other students will experience a delay.
- The Hamden School district is expected to issue a *letter of clarification* to college institutions letting them know of the technical challenges affecting the school district.
- HHS Guidance Counselors office will be drafting a letter to parents referencing current and path forward plans around transcripts and grades for college application
- Dress Code passed and Principal Gannon is working on a plan to explain in detail to the student body and parents.

## Student Report

- Jack Purdue - feels the student body still has fairly ok morale through the internet issues.
- Frank Dixon - Ask for a plan to have a Governance Council student representative attend Student Council meetings and report back on key issues
- John Hanna - Explained the Governance Council was originally created as an initiative to include minority representation within a school. John, also ask the various minority groups present at governance council meetings. Frank Dixon- Agreed we should have presentations at our meeting.

Meeting end Time: 7:30pm

Next Meeting - February 24th 6pm.