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Agenda: 3/11/11

1. Approve Minutes
2. Reports
3. Rainbow Alliance Report
4. Plastic Water Bottle Motion
5. Co-Curricular Code
6. Community Service Discussion
7. Notes & New Business

Council Minutes 3/4/11

“Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal.”

- Henry Ford

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Reports:
 - [Treasurer]: Dealt with senior pizza party funds.
 - [Secretary]: Staff alternate can vote.
 - [DSB]: The budget passed!
 - [Exec]: Just wanted to reassure Council that we're talking about the right topics, we can keep doing what we're doing.
 - [Mr. Smith]: There are always going to be people who resent student interference with staff, we all have different opinions – that's good! It might get a little messy, but our school is special and we're doing important work.
 - [Admin]: Working on the Skip Bean nominations.
 - [Curric]: Started a Google group, discussing the role of Council in the school – how we have democratic components, but we aren't completely democratic, Co-Curricular Code notification for next week.
 - [OEC]: We made the elections calendar — elections on April 12th.
 - [SA]: The senior pizza party on March 18th, looking at Winter Carnival for next year.
 - [COI]: Ms. Patten gave a presentation on technology, cleared up 20% motion – Foreign Language dept. still discussing it.
 - [SSC]: The candidate we chose declined for personal reasons, so the search continues.
 - [Ms. Stevenson]: What's going on with the 20% motion?
 - o Passed, must be acted on
 - o Ms. Gillespie accepts, vetoes, or asks for more time
 - If vetoed, then we can override it or bring a new motion
 - o Staff doesn't have the right to not look at a motion, can speak w/ Ms. Gillespie about her decision
 - o If we step outside our jurisdiction, we can have a debate about that with the DSB and community members
3. Community Service Discussion

Call Order of the Day

- Motion: I move to move agenda item 3 to after item 5.

Motion Passes

4. Guidance Counselor Evaluation Motion

- [OEC]: We met with Megan and the Guidance Dept. and made changes with their help and approval. This is our next draft.

- Major Changes

- o Added specificity
- o Changed scale of answers
- o Covering all post-high school plans
- o Removed "Freshmen Counselor" questions
- o Goal to help Guidance Dept get the answers/feedback they needed

- Motion: I move to adopt and implement the Guidance Counselor Evaluation.

Debate Closes

Motion Passes

5. Plastic Water Bottle Motion

- Motion: I move to eliminate the vending and/or selling of plastic water bottles on the HHS campus.

- o [Katie + Molly Zegans]: In anticipation of Earth Day as well as general environmental practicality, we should discourage the use of plastic water bottles since there is perfectly fine tap water in the school. It's a waste of energy, plastic, and water to create them. The cafe won't lose any money if this is implemented.

- Questions/Clarifications

- o This would apply to vending machines
- o Does this apply to flavored water or Vitamin Water?

- Discussion

- o Great! Let's do it!
- o Changes the school culture in a positive way
- o What about sports after school? What if you forget your water bottle?
- o Sports on the fields don't have access to water fountains
- o Athletes expected to bring equipment, water bottles count too
- o We should give students the choice, be responsible
- o Concessions @ sports games sell water bottles
- o Fans can use water fountains or buy other drinks
- o This is a no-brainer! Bottled water is a total scam
- o How will we keep people from going to the CO-OP for water?
- o We need an education plan for after year one

Meeting Adjourns