



Meeting Date: September 25, 2019
 Meeting Time: 4:00pm
 Location: RHS Media Center

Meeting Minutes

Council Member	Attendance
Elected Parent: Erika Lewis	Yes
Elected Parent: Dr. Khalilah Williams	Yes
Appointed Staff: Laura Hunter	Yes
Student: Will Foster	Yes
Student: David Lemon	Yes
Student: Abby Brown	Yes
Principal: Dr. Robert Shaw	Yes
Elected Staff: Lashonta Fleminster	No
Appointed Community: Deb Martino	Yes
Elected Staff: Val Pettit	Yes
Elected Parent: Darlene Trigg	Yes
Appointed Staff: Amnanda Brickhouse	Yes
Appointed Community: Dylan Penick	No

Guest(s) in attendance:

Lee Hills, PTSA
 Carla Stephens, Parent
 Holly Smith, JROTC

Call to order: 4:05 P.M.

Edits to agenda:

None

Approval of agenda

First: Deb Martino	Second: Laura Hunter	Approved unanimously
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Approval of meeting minutes

First: Laura Hunter	Second: Valerie Petit	Approved unanimously
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Public comment:

- Lee Hills, a representative from the PTSA, invited members of the SGC to the PTSA meetings. They are happy to partner with us.
- Carla Stephens, a parent, would like to learn more about the school and how she can contribute as a parent.
- Holly Smith, a representative from the JROTC, thanked the SGC for supporting the JROTC with funding.
- Chair briefly explained the role of the SGC and directed everyone new to the SGC website where more extensive information is available.

Principal Update:

- Three students were chosen as student members of the SGC: Will Foster (National Honor Society), David Lemon (Student Council), and Abby Brown (Student Council).
- Marquee Sign: The electrical needs to be updated. It will cost between \$5,000 to \$7,000. We are waiting to see if the county will pay for the updates. If not, then the school will have to pay for it, possibly with more SGC funding.
- Construction: Work on the ROTC building is still in the plans. That will include office space, storage space, and the range under the stadium. Ms. Smith can email Dr. Shaw with further questions.
- Graduation Rate: RHS graduation rate increased from 88.8 in 2018 to 90.8 in 2019. The goal is to have a 93% graduation rate.
- In order to increase graduation rate, we have enrolled more students in credit recovery classes, matched each “at risk” student with a mentor, and enrolled more students in summer school to recover credits.
- The graduation rate committee met with the leadership team to develop strategies to keep the freshmen from falling behind.
- According to the website “Schools Like Mine”, we compare favorably to other schools with similar demographics, with regards to graduation rate.
- AP Testing: We gave 1762 AP exams. Our pass rate is 79.3%. RHS staff is doing great work preparing our students for the AP exams.
- SAT Testing: Our students showed a seven point jump in overall SAT scores. Teachers are effectively incorporating strategies in their classrooms to prepare students for the SAT test as well.
- ACT data has not come out yet.
- Activities: Drama’s performance of Cabaret was phenomenal. Softball has the opportunity to go to State. The Band performed at Cambridge High for the Marching Band Exhibition.
- Bilingual Liaison: We have the funding for a second bilingual liaison. This provides an additional resource for the students, funded by the SGC.

Board Communication:

- Often information transmitted via email or text can be misunderstood. Erika would like everyone to know that the avenues of communication are all open. If there is a

misunderstanding in communication, the SGC board members are available to be contacted for clarification. Additionally, anyone can contact Erika for information or clarification.

Chair Update:

- Annual SGC Conference: LaShonta Fleminster, Darlene Trigg, and Erika Lewis attended the conference. Breakfast, prepared by Northview High School students was phenomenal.
 - Key takeaway: In one session, a school demonstrated that they met with their students to find out why their goals weren't being met. They found that many students were missing basic needs like food, clothes, and transportation. They started addressing these basic needs.
 - We as the RHS SGC need to think about where we can "fill the gap". We will possibly revisit the Strategic Plan to make sure that what we put in place three or four years ago, is addressing the basic needs of our students today.
 - Erika Lewis, Laura Hunter, and Dr. Shaw will be reviewing the current Strategic Plan, and we will be discussing possible updates in upcoming meetings.
- Thank You: Erika extends her appreciation for everyone who takes their time to come to the SGC meetings as well as the members who went to the SGC Conference. The time was and will be well worth it.
- SGC website: Please visit the SGC website for meeting agendas, minutes, schedules, and to remain up to date about what it going on within the SGC.

SGC Application Funds:

- We currently have 10 applications for SGC funds. These include Special Education, JROTC and the Science Department. A few more applications are expected.
- Next month's meeting will be moved to October 9th in order to have time to review and approve applications.

Finance Committee Update:

- Grants: The SGC discussed grant writing last year, but it did not take off. It is possible to revisit grants this year with the help of parents. If we could get a parent with some experience in the area, we can explore that avenue. The SGC will possibly ask parents to volunteer for small tasks or grant writing "mini projects".

Communication Committee Update:

- LaShonta shared pictures from the SGC conference. These can possibly be shared on social media.
- Many parents are unaware of what happens within the SGC. It was suggested that the school mascot make a presence in the carpool line with a sign to promote the SGC and particularly the SGC voting process.

Security Audit:

- A security evaluation team walked the building and met with key staff to review RHS security procedures and readiness.

- There are effective security plans in place and all required drills are executed.
- The fact that we have students and teachers who move between the trailers and portables does pose a security challenge.

Next meeting date: 10/09/2019

Upcoming Agenda items:

- Student Update
- Marquee Update
- Review funding applications

Adjourn at: 4:55pm

First: Darlene Trigg	Second: Amanda Brickhouse	Approved unanimously
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