



# Oakmont High School

The Oakmont community empowers and engages all students,  
preparing them for lifelong success as contributors in a global society.

## Site Council

Thursday, October 24, 2024

5:00 pm - OHS Library

### I. Call to Order

1. Introduce Linda Varnum - New Teacher Voting Member (Appointed)

Linda's introduction: special education teacher, co-teaches Biology, coached equestrian team at Davis

Parents: Eric Thorson, Bill Schuetz

Students: Sawyer Winkel, Kayla Tadlock, Jewel Sudnagunta

Staff: Marc Buljan, Katherine Sunseri, Janette Snyder, Gina Coiner Lacoste, Jolie Geluk, Linda Varnum, Nicole Haynes, Megan Blue

### II. Approval of Minutes - [September 19, 2024](#)

E Thorson motions, L Varnum seconds, all in favor, motion carries

### III. Opportunity for Public Input

None noted

### IV. Committee Reports

1. Students: working on Ozone for football team, football and flag football going to playoffs, most senior nights ending this week, cross country team going to LA, band has field show on Saturday, unified sports this Friday, student government working on winter events, just started fundraiser for conference in Disneyland this winter, preparing for Kindness Week and Culture Fest, as well as Holiday Helpers (formerly called Santa's Helpers, moved to Antelope Meadows as it is a feeder school)
2. Staff: J Snyder went CA Assessment Conference and brought back good information and materials to bring to staff, AP exam payments due by 11/1, staff professional development on 11/1 focusing on BTC strategies as well as working in professional learning teams, Halloween door decorating contest going on, parking lot just repainted
3. ELAC/[PBIS](#): next ELAC meeting 12/4, ELD conference in March in Long Beach, hoping to have some parents come to the conference. PBIS reported on new phone policy data (linked). Sophomores had the most cell phone policy violations, seniors had the least. Teachers report that having a system/consequences has been helpful, even if they don't give out consequences for every infraction. Creating a new culture and expectation around phones; the average student has been following expectations and redirections. Small number of students receiving many infractions, most students correct behavior after 1-2 infractions. Admin working with students with 10+ infractions. Many teachers also giving praise points in Minga.

#### Voting Members

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B Schuetz: has there been any parent pushback against the phone policy?

M Buljan: not yet, feedback has largely been positive. Other schools have actually reached out to OHS to learn about our policy.

E Thorson: are there resources to recognize electronic addiction?

N Haynes: Wellness Center is working on a more formal process

M Buljan: for the students with many infractions, students referred to Wellness as alternative to detentions.

N Haynes: Positive recognition (Minga points) for students with no infractions this Friday. Goal is to do this more regularly.

E Thorson: asked students about their impressions and comments.

S Winkel: I like it. I have the best GPA I've ever had this year. Screen time has gone down drastically. Maybe one of the best thing OHS has done for students.

K Tadlock: agrees with Sawyer. More conversations with students. Likes when teachers offer flexibility to listen to music.

J Sudnagunta: enjoys talking to people next to her as well.

S Winkel: making more connections within Health Academy, connecting with HA sophomores.

E Thorson: do you find you're using your phone less on weekends, after school?

S Winkel: yes.

#### V.Unfinished Business

1. None

#### VI. Presentation (Ex: Data, Budget, Programs)

1. [Oakmont Library Presentation - Megan Blue](#)

Presentation given by Megan Blue, district librarian.

Main points:

- Goal is to build community and create a place where everyone feels welcome and respected.
- Student focused services: library books, digital resources, textbooks, chromebooks, study place, research help, makerspace lite (art supplies, puzzles, board games,etc), ebooks and audiobooks
- Staff services: collaboration with teachers, facilitate novel/textbook purchases, provide meeting place, create displays, curate resources, participate in ed service and district tech meetings, process civic permit requests, proctor make-up tests
- Other activities: testing, college presentations, intervention, general meeting space, AP review sessions, counseling presentations, blood drive

#### VII.New Business (Information and/or Action)

1. Information: [No Course changes](#). These are courses that we are already teaching.

M Buljan: these courses have been vetted before, just information item.

2. Information: [New courses](#). These are the two Health Courses (9 week and 18 week) and the two Ethnic Studies Courses (9 week and 18 week). These are new courses. Next Steps: November 4th (CILT) and December 9th (Board of Education)

M Buljan: Ethnic Studies will be required for all 9th graders coming in. At OHS, putting out a student survey - 1 option is to keep 18-week of both Health and ES, OR 9 weeks of each. 9-week option will likely need two teachers, as courses require different credentials - may impact staffing/master schedule.

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3. Action: [SPSA Revisions](#). We updated dollar amounts to reflect funding approved at the last Board meeting. [Current SPSA to review](#).

M Buljan: emphasized SPSA living, breathing document. See funding changes linked above in revisions document. EL funding reduced, supplemented with Title 1 funds. Health Academy dispersing carryover.

S Winkel motions to approve, L Varnum seconds, all in favor, motion carries.

#### VIII. Announcements

1. Next Meeting: November 21, 2024
2. Other Meetings: ELAC - December 4, 2024
3. Special Events: 10/26 - Band Festival; 10/30 - SAT; 10/31 - Halloween Show; 11/1 - No School; 11/7-9 - Fall Play; 11/8 - ASVAB Test; 11/11 - No School; 11/18-22 - Spirit Week; 11/20 - Program and Pathways Night; 11/20 - Robotics League Night

Additional event: 10/30 Trick or Treat at OHS

Meeting adjourned at 6:03

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