

**HAMILTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
MINUTES**

**Hamilton High School Library
Wednesday, February 26, 2020**

5:30 p.m. Public session for purposes of opening the meeting only.
 5:30 p.m. Closed session to discuss closed session items listed below.
 6:00 p.m. Reconvene to open session no later than 6:30 p.m.

1.0 OPENING BUSINESS:

- a. Call to order and roll call at 5:32 p.m.

 ✓ Gabriel Leal, President ✓ Hubert "Wendall" Lower, Clerk ✓ Rod Boone
 ✓ Genaro Reyes ✓ Ray Odom

2.0 IDENTIFY CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

3.0 PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS: Public comment will be heard on any closed session items. The board may limit comments to no more than three minutes per speaker and 15 minutes per item.

4.0 ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: To consider qualified matters.

- a. Government Code Section 54957 (b), Personnel Issue. To consider the employment, evaluation, reassignment, resignation, dismissal, or discipline of a classified and certificated employees.
- b. Government Code Section 54957.6, Labor Negotiations. To confer with the District's Labor Negotiator, Superintendent Jeremy Powell regarding HTA and CSEA negotiations.
- c. Government Code Section 54956.9, Subdivision (a), Existing litigation. Name of case: Crews v. Hamilton Unified School District, Glenn County Superior Court, Case No. 15CV01394.
- d. Government Code Section 54956.9, Subdivision (a), Pending litigation. Name of case: Goodwin v. Hamilton Unified School District, Glenn County Superior Court, Case No. 19CV02117
- e. *Conference with Real Property Negotiators.* Property: Westermann property north of Hamilton High School, approximately located at 500 Sixth Street, Hamilton City, CA 95951 (APN: 032-230-015-000). Agency Negotiator: Jeremy Powell, Superintendent; Matt Juhl-Darlington, Attorney for District. Negotiating Parties: Westermann Family and Hamilton Unified School District. Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment.
- f. Ed. Code Sec. 48918, Student Expulsion. Student ID# 401041.

Report out action taken in closed session.

- i. The Board Unanimously approved a settlement agreement and accepted the resignation of a certificated employee effective June 30, 2020.*
- ii. Mr. Lower made a motion to accept the stipulated expulsion for student #401041. Mr. Odom seconded the motion. Roll call vote:*

Unanimous Motion Carried 5-0

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| Leal: AYE | Lower: AYE |
| Boone: AYE | Reyes: AYE |
| Odom: AYE | |

5.0 PUBLIC SESSION/FLAG SALUTE: Lead by Mr. Reyes

6.0 ADOPT THE AGENDA: (M)

Motion to adopt the agenda by Mr. Lower. 2nd by Mr. Boone. Motion Carried 5-0

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| Leal: AYE | Lower: AYE |
| Boone: AYE | Reyes: AYE |
| Odom: AYE | |

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

- a. Board Member Comments/Reports.
 - i. None
- b. ASB President and Student Council President Reports
 - i. Hamilton High School, Giovanni Martinez - Absent
 - ii. Hamilton Elementary School, Ella Mendez
 - 1. Gave a report on student leadership
 - 2. \$1,099.68 from pennies for patients was donated to Leukemia/Lymphoma Society
 - 3. Gave sports updates
- c. District Reports (written)
 - i. Technology Report by Frank James & Derek Hawley (Page 1)
 - ii. Nutrition Services Report by Sean Montgomery (Page 3)
 - iii. Operations Report by Alan Joksch (Page 5)
- d. Principal and Dean of Student Reports
 - i. Kathy Thomas, Hamilton Elementary School Principal (attached written)
 - 1. Mr. Odom asked if the SARB process was helpful
 - 2. Ms. Thomas replied that she found the process is helpful
 - ii. Maria Reyes, District Dean of Students
 - 1. Tomorrow all seniors are involved in Butte College Reg2Go
 - 2. The parent teacher conference on 2/20/20 had the best turn out
 - 3. DUI Court will be here at HHS on 3/12/20 at 10:00 a.m.
 - 4. Quarter ends 3/13/20
 - 5. Students will be going to CSUC on Caesar Chavez week
 - iii. Cris Oseguera, Hamilton High School Principal (attached written)
 - iv. Sylvia Robles, Adult School (Page 7)
- e. Chief Business Official Report by Kristen Hamman (Page 9)
- f. Superintendent Report by Jeremy Powell (Page 11)
 - i. Due to many conflicts on 3/7/20 our LCAP meeting originally scheduled for that day will be cancelled and rescheduled for 3/11/20 following the Special Board Meeting that night for the Second Interim Report.
 - ii. Special Board Meeting will be at 5:00 p.m. on 3/11/20 followed by LCAP at 6:00 p.m. Dinner and childcare will be provided.
 - iii. The LCAP meeting will be an opportunity to look at the needs and wishes of the staff and community so those can be integrated into our plan going forward.

8.0 PRESENTATIONS:

- a. None

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. None

10.0 INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

- a. GCOE Review of 2019-20 First Interim Report Memo (Page 19)
- b. Bond Status (Fund 21) Update (Page 23)
 - i. Mr. Lower questioned when we would receive reimbursements
 - ii. Mr. Cannon replied that we will receive reimbursement when we purchase the land and build on it.
 - iii. Mr. Lower asked if PlaceWorks and NV5 costs were reimbursable.
 - iv. Mr. Cannon replied that they are reimbursable and that most of the other items would be reimbursed at about 50%.
 - v. Mr. Odom asked when we would receive the funds.
 - vi. Mr. Cannon replied that funds would be received once the property is purchased and all the studies are complete. At that time, we can fill out the application to the State Board.
- c. HUSD Enrollment History for 5 years (Page 27)
 - i. Dr. Powell explained ADA funding versus enrollment numbers.

11.0 DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. Hamilton High School Site Expansion-Permitting Status Update by Mike Cannon (Page 29)
 - i. Mr. Cannon pointed out the DTSC draft final report for tonight's public hearing and indicated that public comment period is through 3/20/20.
 - ii. Public comments will be forwarded to DTSC. Expect this to be done by June.
 - iii. Working on CEQA draft now. This will also have a 30-day comment period in April or May. Mr. Cannon does not anticipate any issues and hopes this will be complete by June. There maybe be some traffic or parking mitigation.
 - iv. Ed. Spec. first meeting was 2/11/20. In process of scheduling further meetings. Should be done by April or May. This will be complete based on when public meetings can be scheduled.
 - v. Dr. Powell commented that the 1st Ed. Spec. meeting went very well.
- b. CSBA Policy Guide Sheet (for below **first readings**) (Page 31) – Dr. Powell made some comments below:
 - i. Board Policy 2121: Superintendent Contract (Page 35) – Update to policy
 - ii. Board Policy 3600: Consultants (Page 41) – new law
 - iii. Administrative Regulation 4030: Nondiscrimination in Employment (Page 44) – new law
 - iv. Board Policy 4033: Lactation Accommodation (Page 51) – new law. Dr. Powell said we are currently working on Administrative Regulation. Mr. Lower asked if this would apply to students? Dr. Powell replied yes.
 - v. Board Policies 4151, 4251, 4351: Employee Compensation (Page 57) – update
 - vi. ~~Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4218.1 Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary action (Merit System) (Page 62) – strike this~~
 - vii. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5116.1 Intradistrict Open Enrollment (Page 70) - Table this for another first reading next regular board meeting
 - viii. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5117: Intradistrict Attendance (Page 82) -Table this for another first reading next regular board meeting
 - ix. Board Policy Administrative Regulation and Exhibit 5118: Open Enrollment Act Transfers (Page 97) -Table this for another first reading next regular board meeting
 - x. Administrative Regulation 5125: Student Records (Page 108) – update to new law
 - xi. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5131.2: Bullying (Page 131) – new law
 - xii. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5141.21: Administering Medication and Monitoring Health Conditions (Page 144)
 1. Option 1
 2. Option 2 – Dr. Powell recommends option 2 because of conflict between state and federal laws
 - xiii. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6143: Course of Study (Page 161) – Recommend to strike the last optional paragraph
 - xiv. Board Policy 6154: Homework/Makeup work (Page 176) - update
 - xv. Administrative Regulation 6174: Education for English Learners (Page 180)
 - xvi. Administrative Regulation 6175: Migrant Education Program (Page 191) - update
 - xvii. ~~Board Bylaw 9150: Student Board Members (Page 200) – strike this~~

12.0 **ADJUOURN TO PUBLIC HEARING at 7:15 p.m.** : Notice of preparation of a preliminary environmental assessment (PEA) for property the District wishes to acquire adjacent to Hamilton High School. Executive summary included in board packet (Page 207). Hard copies of the entire report are available at the District Office and Hamilton City Library or by request from the District Office. The entire report is also available on the school website at <https://www.husdschools.org/>

- a. No public comments offered.
- b. Mr. Cannon commented that the report is very thorough and that essentially nothing was found that wouldn't allow the building of school. Soil samples were consistent with the area.

13.0 RE-OPEN PUBLIC SESSION at 7:18 p.m.

14.0 **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Public comment on any item of interest to the public that is within the Board's jurisdiction will be heard (agenda and non-agenda items). The Board may limit comments to no more than three minutes per speaker and 15 minutes per topic. Public comment will also be allowed on each specific action item prior to board action thereon.

- a. No public comment

15.0 ACTION ITEMS:

a. PlaceWorks CEQA Studies Contract Amendment (Page 219)

- i. Mr. Cannon requests this contract amendment to cover additional work for CEQA study
- ii. Dr. Powell asked how close we are to the final okay
- iii. Mr. Cannon indicated that some of that is predicated on how soon the property is purchased.
- iv. Initial reports say no problem with soil, water, flooding. Mr. Cannon has not heard any concerns and expects CEQA and DTSC final by end of the fiscal year.
- v. Most of the permitting studies should be done by end of calendar year.
- vi. Mr. Lower said that it sounds like the majority of the studies done are \$250, 000 and then we have to purchase the land and then the Geo-Tech study.
- vii. Mr. Cannon said he expects Geo-Tech will be about \$60-65,000 plus whatever we pay for property.
- viii. Mr. Cannon said we will be asking if we can tie in the property purchase and Geo-Tech altogether.
- ix. A public member asked what happened to the park property that was purchased for a middle school
- x. Mr. Cannon explained that that property is in a flood plain. The new property we are looking to purchase is not in a flood plain.
- xi. Mr. Odom said that there are going to be local fees added to the cost of purchasing the new property as it has to be annexed to Hamilton City. The Fire Department, Cal Water and the City may all attach fees later.
- xii. Mr. Lower asked if the new site could be hooked up to septic or if we have to tie into sewer.
- xiii. Mr. Cannon said the new site could not be on septic.
- xiv. Mr. Boone said that we don't know when we will have a new school but that this is good opportunity to allow us to expand when we need to.

Motion to approve PlaceWorks CEQA contract amendment by Mr. Lower. 2nd by Mr. Boone. Motion Carried 5-0

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| Leal: AYE | Lower: AYE |
| Boone: AYE | Reyes: AYE |
| Odom: AYE | |

b. Site Safety Plans (full plans available on <https://www.husdschools.org/>, available for review during the board meeting and by request by contacting the district Office): - Dr. Powell commented that while approving the site safety plans, the Fire Department requested that we install Knox boxes with master key for each building site in a memo to HUSD. This will be a small but necessary cost.

- i. Hamilton Elementary School (includes Hamilton State Preschool and Hamilton Special Education) (Page 223)
- ii. Hamilton High School (includes the District Office, Ella Barkley High School, and Hamilton Community Day School, and Hamilton Adult School). (Page 235)

Motion to approve site safety plans by Mr. Lower. 2nd by Mr. Reyes. Motion Carried 5-0

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| Leal: AYE | Lower: AYE |
| Boone: AYE | Reyes: AYE |
| Odom: AYE | |

c. Resolution 19-20-104 Emergency Management Resolution – Hamilton Unified School District has implemented a School Emergency Plan for all school sites and facilities. (Page 247)

Motion to adopt Resolution 19-20-104 by Mr. Boone. 2nd by Mr. Lower. Motion Carried 5-0

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| Leal: AYE | Lower: AYE |
| Boone: AYE | Reyes: AYE |
| Odom: AYE | |

d. CSBA Policy Guide Sheet (for below 2nd readings) (Page 249) – Mr. Lower noted that it would be a cost savings to not print out then entire set of policies for a second reading in future board packets.

- i. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 0460: Local Control and Accountability Plan (Page 253)
- ii. Board Policy 0520: Intervention for Underperforming Schools (New Policy) (Page 268)
- iii. Board Policy 0520.1: Comprehensive and Targeted Support and Improvement (New Policy) (Page 271)
- iv. Board Policy 1431: Waivers (Page 275)
- v. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 3515: Campus Security (Page 279)
- vi. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4116: Probationary/Permanent Status (Page 286)
 - 1. Option 1 – Dr. Powell recommends this option
 - 2. Option 2
- vii. Board Policies 4119.22, 4219.22, 4319.22: Dress and Grooming (Page 294)
- viii. Board Policy 4216: Probationary/Permanent Status (Page 296)
- ix. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 4218: Dismissal/Suspension/Disciplinary Action (Page 298)
- x. Board Policy 5131: Conduct (Page 309)
- xi. Board Policy 5131.8: Mobile Communication Devices (New Policy) (Page 315)
- xii. Board Policy 5132: Dress and Grooming (Page 319)
- xiii. Administrative Regulation 5141.26: Tuberculosis Testing (Page 326)
- xiv. ~~Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 5142: Safety (Page 327)~~ – Strike this policy
- xv. Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 7140: Architectural and Engineering Services (Page 339)
- xvi. Board Bylaw 9323: Meeting Conduct (Page 345) – Dr. Powell noted that this policy has a public comment period of 20 minutes but that HUSD current practice is 15 minutes. When we move to adopt this bylaw, it should be noted that our policy is 15 minutes.

Motion to approve 2nd reading policies noting option 1 selected for BP 4116, excluding BP AR 5142 and changing board bylaw 9323 to say 15 minutes by Mr. Lower. 2nd by Mr. Reyes. Motion Carried 5-0

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| Leal: AYE | Lower: AYE |
| Boone: AYE | Reyes: AYE |
| Odom: AYE | |

- e. Recommendation from Superintendent regarding 2018-19 Bond Transfer/Repayment Plan (Page 353)
 - i. Mr. Odom expressed concern that Fund 17 is a special savings account. We have a developer fee account that is either Fund 21 or 25 that will continue to grow as people build houses. Hoping to have some flexibility to transfer funds from the developer fee account.
 - ii. Ms. Johnson asked what replenishes Fund 17
 - iii. Mr. Odom answered that it's gone unless you put money back in it
 - iv. Dr. Powell offered to table this and bring it back next meeting.
 - v. Ms. Gonzales asked if the superintendent's suggestion is because we are in an emergency
 - vi. Dr. Powell replied that the request to replenish the bond funds came from the board.
 - vii. Mr. Odom commented that we don't want to further deplete these funds.
 - viii. Mr. Boone commented that because this money was already used, we are in less of an emergency than we would have been but that this is a way to make good on repaying that money.

Mr. Odom motioned to approve this item amended to transfer \$50,000 yearly out of either fund 17 or Developer Fee Fund at the Direction of the Board. 2nd by Mr. Reyes. Motion Carried 5-0

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| Leal: AYE | Lower: AYE |
| Boone: AYE | Reyes: AYE |
| Odom: AYE | |

- f. Board consideration of and action on Resolution No. 19-20-105 in the matter of non-reemployment of certain certificated employees and direction to Superintendent or designee to notify affected employees of reduction in force. (Page 355)
 - i. Mr. Odom commented that these are preliminary notices. Final notices are not until May 15th.
 - ii. Ms. Gonzales asked if there is a ratio or equal way of measuring out so that not one group is cut more than others, like admin or teachers.
 - iii. Dr. Powell commented that the Budget committee is made of teachers, classified, admin and board members who have all looked at what is essential and least impactful to the students. These positions, half of them are not direct classroom, they are supplemental.
 - iv. Mr. Langan says he understands the March 15th timeline but why are teachers targeted and not classified?

- v. Dr. Powell responded that classified positions have a 60-day notification period and that those will be brought to the next regular board meeting.
- vi. Ms. Mello asked about reassignment of some teachers and wanted to know when information would be available on that.
- vii. Dr. Powell replied that when we have the final budget and by contract people will know by May 15th. Also, we are still waiting for the Governor's budget.
- viii. Mr. Leal noted that some of these cuts might not come to fruition.
- ix. Ms. Mello asked if we are looking to get as much of our debt down as possible this year.
- x. Mr. Leal responded that our hope is to get to zero deficit for 2020-21. We don't have a choice. We have to cut. We are not the only ones. Pension costs are affecting districts everywhere.
- xi. Mr. Lower noted that the GCOE report of our district being unsatisfactory means that we need to rectify the budget now or they won't certify us. We can't stagger this. This is really hard. These cuts should have happened last year or the year before.
- xii. Ms. Gonzales commented that it feels like we are already bare bones and that we could use a third English teacher. Admins are already covering so much. Losing one position means that someone needs to step in and cover that. Are there concerns about zeroing out? Will there be a second round of cuts?
- xiii. Mr. Boone replied that the stock market and taxes are going down. 2008 could happen again.
- xiv. Mr. Mendoza asked what happens if we are not at zero.
- xv. Dr. Powell replied that in that case the State would take over and that they would make the cuts.
- xvi. Mr. Boone added that the State doesn't have the heart that we do. He also noted that there have been some raises for certificated and classified in years past.
- xvii. Mr. Odom stated that we have to adopt a budget that not only zeros out deficit but also builds a small surplus. We have to be able to address the unexpected. We can't let it get down below what it is now.
- xviii. Ms. Gonzales wondered if the past financial office knew of this serious situation as they took a hefty raise when certificated didn't get a very big raise.
- xix. Ms. Reyes asked if this sounds like a one year hit.
- xx. Dr. Powell indicated that we don't want every February meeting to be like this. We want to balance the budget and have a surplus. We need to act now. Hopefully we can reinstate some of those positions.

Mr. Boone motioned to approve Resolution No. 19-20-105. 2nd by Mr. Odom. Motion Carried 5-0

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| Leal: AYE | Lower: AYE |
| Boone: AYE | Reyes: AYE |
| Odom: AYE | |

10 CONSENT AGENDA: Items in the consent agenda are considered routine and are acted upon by the Board in one motion. There is no discussion of these items prior to the Board vote and unless a member of the Board, staff, or public request specific items be discussed and/or removed from the consent agenda. Each item on the consent agenda approved by the Board shall be deemed to have been considered in full and adopted as recommended.

- a. Minutes from regular Board Meeting on January 22, 2020 (Page 357)
- b. School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA) for Hamilton Elementary School (Page 367)
- c. Williams Quarterly January 2020 (Page 419)
- d. Hamilton Elementary School Site Council February 4, 2020 Meeting Agenda (Page 421)
- e. Hamilton Elementary School Site Council February 4, 2020 Meeting Minutes (Page 423)
- f. Hamilton Elementary School Site Council October 4, 2019 Meeting Approved Minutes (Page 425)
- g. Warrants and Expenditures. (Page 427)
- h. Interdistrict Transfers (new only; elementary students reapply annually).
 - i. Out
 - 1. Hamilton Elementary School
 - a. K x 1 (for 2020-21 school year)
 - b. 7th x 1 (for 2020-21 school year)
 - 2. Hamilton High School
 - a. none
 - ii. In
 - 1. Hamilton Elementary School
 - a. K x 1 (for 2020-21 school year)

- b. 5th x 1 (for 2020-21 schoolyear)
- c. 4th x 1 (for 2019-20 schoolyear)
- 2. Hamilton High School
 - a. 9th X 1 (FOR 2020-21 schoolyear)

i. Personnel Actions as Presented:

i. New hires:

Derek Ahlswede JV Baseball Coach HHS


ii. Resignations/Retirement:

None

Mr. Odom motioned to approve the consent agenda. 2nd by Mr. Boone. Motion Carried 5-0

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| Leal: AYE | Lower: AYE |
| Boone: AYE | Reyes: AYE |
| Odom: AYE | |

17.0 ADJOURNMENT: 8:25 p.m. Closed in memory of Andy Kaiser and Wendy Robinson.

X  3.25.20

Wendall Lower
HUSD Board Clerk

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Jeremy Powell, Ed. D.
HUSD Superintendent

HAMILTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Board Meeting on February 26, 2020
Kathryn Thomas, Principal

This week has been a tough week at the Elementary with discussions involving the possible budgetary impact of great significance to our site. I'm proud of our staff who continue to have their eyes on the prize, doing what's best for students, and supporting each other.

Attendance:

Total: 422

Areas of concern: TK = 81.3% ,K= 90.75%,8th 94.96%

K-5= 94.73%

6-8 = 96.77%

Attendance continues to be an area of concern as we aren't at our first semester numbers due to the cold/flu season. The area of chronic absenteeism, of course, is being looked at carefully due to the California Dashboard reporting. Dianna Camarena and I have met with 13 families during this first round of letters to discuss the importance of attendance and our concerns regarding academic success. We have also been conducting weekly home visits to provide resources for improved attendance. We have site contracts in place, and we are working closely with our SARB coordinator, Eddy Goines. Our area of focus will be our Kindergartners and 1st graders. We will be reaching out to PTO to help sponsor incentives for improved attendance.

Campus News:

- Kindergarten registration was a success with 53 kindergarteners registered.
- Maggie Sawyer held two mandated parent meetings for incoming Dual

**Hamilton High School
HUSD Board Report
February 26, 2020**

1. **Attendance/Enrollment-** Current HHS Enrollment is 266 students (9th-68; 10th- 77; 11th-72; 12th-49). This is a decrease of one (1) since the January Board meeting and an increase of three (3) at HHS since the October Board meeting. HHS, through 116 attendance days has about a 95.00% attendance rate, with December/January attendance dipping under 95% due to Winter travel plans and student illness (48 total students with at least 1 day of illness).
 - a. Combined with EBHS, there are 278 9-12th Grade students.
 - b. Projected for HHS 2020-2021 is for (conservatively) approximately 290-295 students (approximately +15 over this year's current total). Projected 9-12 enrollment for 2020-21 is expected to be 295-300.
 - c. Currently, at HHS, 42% of our students are from out-of-district!
 - d. Incoming Frosh Information Night was on Tuesday January 28th and gave an indicator of incoming numbers for the Class of 2024 – all of whom will be further invited to our HHS Open House on March 26th.

2. **Upcoming Professional Development-** On March 27, 2020, All teachers in HUSD will enjoy an inservice day of learning and interactions with their colleagues, with the set-up being conference style and led by primarily by our own staff. Our staff continues to meet for PLC meetings on our Friday afternoons.
 - a. I have had meetings with the majority of our Seniors and have met with some parents more than once to discuss their student's progress. We are also reviewing our Juniors credit levels at 3rd quarter to determine appropriate placements or needs for credits. K. Langan/M. Reyes coordinated the 2020-21 class sign-ups this week and will be continuing to assist students and parents with class/section/elective questions. We are still determining the most appropriate master schedule for the next school year.

3. **Athletic Supervision and Sportsmanship.** K.Langan/M.Reyes/E.Johnson/C.Oseguera supervise the athletic contest- all did a good amount of supervision for Winter Sports; I personally attended/supervised 33 total home/away athletic events. We will be incorporating more parent education this year and into the future as it is important for the adults at events to set the appropriate example for the student-athletes and student spectators in respecting the players, the opponents, and the officials. This is an ongoing statewide initiative and an imperative for us as well. CIF will likely pass a statewide Sportsmanship/Ejection policy which will be uniform for all the sections at the April Federated Council meeting.

4. **School Activities & Events-** It has been an eventful and sunny start to the Second Semester. Our 3rd Quarter ends on March 13th. HHS Commencement is currently scheduled for Friday June 5 at 8pm. **OPEN HOUSE IS MARCH 26 at 6pm.**
 - a. FFA held a teacher appreciation luncheon on Friday February 19th- thank you to our HC FFA students and advisors!
 - b. HC FFA held a Blood Drive on February 26th in our gym, with many students and staff donating blood. Thank you to Ally Vogt, our Student Blood Drive Coordinator.

Immersion students. This was well attended with 26 new interested students' families, and with the 5 siblings of current students, our count is at 31. The lottery is scheduled for 3/23 and final registration will take place at the Kindergarten Roundup on 3/26

- Last week, our Coffee with the Principal focused on our LCAP infographic and surveys.
- Our last parent breakfast was well attended. We discussed CAASPP testing, GEAR UP, and LCAP. Sra. Esquivel's DI 2nd grade class presented for the parents.
- We hosted the Sandy Hook presentation for our 6th-8th graders, Start With Hello, centered on promoting an inclusive campus and empowering students to support one another. In addition, Deputy Alves was invited to speak to our Middle School students about social media awareness in response to a recent increase in inappropriate cell phone use.
- We have an upcoming Saturday school planned, and the CJSF will also be on site doing some additional playground painting.
- Our teachers are working hard to bring life experiences that connect to academics with their many planned field trips. Last week, 4th and 5th graders went to Sacramento, and there is an upcoming 3/7 field trip sponsored by GEAR UP to Chico State for a Women in STEM conference and 40 of our middle school girls will be in attendance.
- Don't miss our Spring Book Fair which will be open next week during parent conferences.

- c. FFA pigs & lambs continue to gain weight here on campus in anticipation of their auction at the Glenn County Fair in May.
- d. Parent/Teacher Conferences were successfully held on February 20th- we are looking to modify the event to be teacher and parent friendlier.
- e. We have three (3) international teachers this week visiting HHS. Maral, Thao, & Bhawani are from Kazakhstan, Vietnam, and India respectively. We are proud to again be a host for international teachers.
- f. Winter Sports Season concluded for HHS yesterday- all teams made the playoffs (Girls and Boys Basketball; Girls and Boys Soccer; Wrestling students). Jose Mendez-Ruiz won the Division 3/4 title at 108 pounds at competed at Masters finishing one victory away from qualifying for the CIF State Wrestling Championships.
- g. The Winter Sports Banquet will be on Tuesday March 10th at 6:30pm.
- h. HC FFA Ag Awareness Day was held on Tuesday February 4, 2020. Our neighboring schools' 8th Graders participated and it was well attended.
- i. Our ACA Deca team successfully competed in the county competition on February 1st.
- j. HHS Sober Grad once again out sold the other three (3) schools in the Four School Sober Grad Raffle, selling 1,166 tickets (Willow=750/Orland=450/Corning=335). This will assist in a safe and sober post-graduation event. Donations are still graciously needed and accepted.
- k. Counselors will be taking a group of students to Sacramento for Steps to College soon as well as participating in UC Davis Cesar Chavez Symposium in May.
- l. Sober Grad Ticket Raffle Sales continued through February 8th.
- m. Dylan Franck, HHS Sophomore, won the Lions Club Speaker contest on February 11th! The topic was "Homelessness in California- What is the Solution?" Dylan next competes February 27th in Willows at the Zone Level contest.
- n. Butte College will be visiting with our seniors February 27th for preliminary Reg-to-go computer work.
- o. HHS will be hosting an on-site SAT test on March 4th.
- p. English Enrichment traveled to Sacramento on January 23 to watch the play "Dear Evan Hansen." It was a great experience and we had approximately 45 participants.
- q. I will be attending state CIF meetings next week.
- r. HHS will host a DUI Court in the Schools on Thursday March 12, 2020 at 10am. In late April, HHS will host a Challenge Day.
- s. March 26, 2020 is HHS Open House.

Submitted:



Cris Oseguera
Principal
Hamilton High School

