



GBHS School Site Council

Tuesday, February 25, 2025

4:30pm – 6:00pm

Library

Minutes

1. Call to order (S. Zulfiqar)

- a. The meeting was called to order at 4:31pm. Shiven Batra, Anushka Kalyan and Kevin Calia were absent. Saqib Zulfiqar ran the meeting as Vice Chair.

2. Public Comment

Comment is limited to 3 minutes. If ten (10) or more speakers wish to comment, time is limited to 90 seconds. Public comment submissions may not be related to personnel matters. If you would like to send our School Site Council comments regarding this month's agenda items, please complete [this google form](#) and your comments will be shared with SSC members at the beginning of each month's meeting. If you will be speaking in person, there is no need to complete this form.

- a. No one from the public was at the meeting.

3. Approvals of the January 21, 2025 Minutes (S. Zulfiqar)

- a. Melissa MacDonald motioned to approve the January minutes. Elizabeth Henderson seconded the motion. There was unanimous approval of the January 21, 2025 minutes.

4. Curriculum Review (G. Sloan)

- a. World Language: [Russian](#)
- b. Mr. Sloan reviewed the new Russian course.
- c. Mr. Sloan advised that this course is probably not one we would offer at Granite Bay. It would be difficult to add a 3rd language. For Granite Bay, ASL would make more sense as a lot of our students take that outside GBHS but we are not adding any new languages at this time.

5. SPSA Development (G. Sloan)

- a. Mr. Sloan reviewed Goal #1 of our SPSA.
- b. The School Board recently reviewed the district-wide data.
- c. Mr. Sloan noticed that there might be some inconsistency with the data being used by the district. For example, the percentage of students taking an IB course is not an accurate representation as the district is using the percentage of students passing 2 or more IB tests.
- d. Mr. Sloan reviewed Goal #2 data.
- e. The CAASPP Science test is hard because the students are tested on Physics, Biology, Chemistry & Earth Science. We don't offer Earth Science so our teachers are trying to incorporate it into some of their current instruction. Some of the students also might be in a level of science their Junior year while being tested but they haven't completed the course to have full knowledge. This test definitely has a lot of challenges.
- f. Mr. Sloan reviewed Goal #3. Our suspension rates are improving, but they probably won't get us out of the orange range because the subgroup is too small.

6. Principal's Report (G. Sloan)

- a. Next month, we will host an incoming 9th grade night. We get a lot of transfers so moving this night to occur in March makes more sense to capture everyone. Our Counselors will go to middle schools on March 20th & 21st. We are also having our incoming 9th graders use a Google form to select classes this year.
 - b. Mr. Sloan will attend the district annual staffing meeting soon. We will likely get to post for new staff in late March.
 - c. We have hopes of redoing a lot of the Library. We would like to take the pony wall out, paint, get new tables, etc. Ideally it will be more of a common learning space. We are looking at fundraising for this project.
 - d. It was suggested that we publish a school wish list so that parents can help support the staff with their needs.
7. Adjournment (S. Zulfiqar)
- a. The meeting was adjourned at 5:22pm. There was unanimous approval to adjourn the meeting.

Staff Representatives: G. Sloan, M. Swartz
Teacher Representatives: N. Cattolico, E. Henderson, K. Gossell, L. Stannard
Parent Representatives: M. MacDonald, M. Tong, K. Calia
Student Representatives: S. Batra, A. Kalyan, S. Zulfiqar