

CAMBRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL

SCHOOL GOVERNANCE COUNCIL - MEETING MINUTES

Date: 1/15/2026

Time: 4:00 PM

Location: CHS Room 2428

SGC Members in Attendance: Ashley Agans (Principal), Devra Gerber (Parent), Sadaf Ahmed(Parent), , Paula Havard (Community Member),Renee Westlake(Appointed Staff), Jeremy Fulk (Teacher), Kahlia Washington (Student)

Absent SGC Members: Henry Rowling (Teacher), Amelia Hess (Student), , Laury Rush (Community Member), Cory Kelley (Appointed Staff), Mark Veneziano (Parent)

4:08pm **Call to Order: *Mr. Fulk (Chair)***

4:10pm **Action Item: Approve January Agenda *Mr. Fulk (Chair)***

Motion - Renee Westlake (Appointed Staff)

Second - Paula Havard (Community Member)

All in Favor - Approved Jan Agenda

4:12pm **Action Item: Approve Nov Meeting Minutes *Mr. Fulk (Chair)***

Motion - Renee Westlake (Appointed Staff)

Second - Devra Gerber (Parent)

All in Favor - approved

4:15pm **Open Discussion:** Ms. Agans started the discussion by informing that she put everything in the portal regarding the SGC money allotment we had designated in the Nov meeting. Also, grant applications need to approved over email. Ms. Agans asked Mr.Fulk if anyone had applied and if not, then a blitz needs to be done on it.

Nov budget proposal: \$20,0000 PD

\$2000 Mascot

\$3000

Literacy and Attendance Incentives
Grants

\$5000 Teacher

4:20pm **Open Discussion: Mascot**

Ms.Havard brought in an example from her research. Discussed options presented and we decided on the C logo, red eyes on a brown bear with a

C logo. \$2065 for 2D but we should have a budget of \$3000 (not \$8000 for 3D but show this quote to compare with bc it is \$2500)

Ms. Havard also mentioned she will be researching literacy and attendance incentives

4:30pm Action Item: Approve Budget for Mascot *Ms. Agans (Principal)*

Motion - Renee Westlake (Appointed Staff)
Havard (Community Member)

Second - Paula
All in Favor - Approved

4:35pm Informational Item: Principal Update *Principal.*

Ms. Agans came back from day long district meeting today: PSAT Scores are good overall (seniors skewed data). Benchmark in math and reading 3% and 6% increase literacy increase in 7-8%; math not as good 53 and 56 (but they were in the 40's last year).

Teachers are already asking about the personal development day.

Laura Morgan is trying to find us authors to come and speak.

We are moving into 2nd semester. 5 yr instructional plan for CHS. Ms. Agans brought this up to leadership. We have a lot of initiatives here and there and everywhere but no real focus. We would like to move with focus on innovation in our classrooms (PBL, etc what do we want a cambridge graduate to look like). Team will meet again next Tuesday and the following Tuesday. Ms. Agans' personal mission: see education be innovative (not regurgitate what is given to us-sitting in rows). In mid Feb present it to all teachers, then talk to SGC, PTSA, students, and community members.

We have closed the audio visual track and are now launching the health sciences track in 2026-2027 year. By the end of 5 yrs have a lot more community involvement. Have we identified those skills that are students are needing/gaining? Ms. Agans looking for possibly feedback from us (SGC) in Feb. Budget will come out at the end of Jan and Ms. Agans has to approve/submit the budget on March (we may have to move up March meeting in order to get the budget submitted).

Senior reduction has ended. Seniors were given the option since 2020 to reduce their classes from 6 to 5 (this helped to protect their GPA. But this is very costly (100's of 1000's or millions of dollars in funding by not taking the 6 required by the state and the feds). There are some awesome electives added in social studios and english and ctac for the students to take as their 6th class. More classes being taken means we can keep more teachers. absenteeism will improve.

4:45pm Informational Item: Student Update *Student Members*

Ms. Washington mentioned there is no student update but mentioned that a teacher asked about innovative classrooms and if it will be in classrooms and the answer is yes.

4:48pm Informational Item: Parent Update *Parent Members*

No parent update.

4:50pm. Informational Item: Staff Update *Staff Members*

Mr. Fulk

hates the amount of virtual classes that they are allowed to take. especially more than 1. Why are they allowed to take it on line when they have it in the school?

Ms. Agans

stated: law passed in 2014 or 2016 that the state legislature said we give the choice to parents/teachers online courses ga virtual options may be taken off the table but not fulton FTE up to 3 can be taken in Cambridge virtually. This year Ms.agans will pay over \$100,000 to fulton—cost of a teacher is \$120,000 - pay more than any other school. The Board policy is 3 and we offer 3 (Ms. Agans not ok with this). She wants board policy to offer 1 and/or except under certain circumstances. This is a huge budget issue (she budgeted \$95K when it is well over \$100K). All in all face to face learning is better than virtual anyway.

4:58pm. Meeting Adjournment: *Mr. Fulk (Chair)*

Motion: Mr. Fulk (Chair)

Second: Ms. Westlake (Appointed Staff)

All in favor: Approved

