DHS School Council Meeting-Minutes May 8, 2018

Attendance: Bruce Kaminsky, Mary K Morris, Randi Siegel, Dave Levy, Kim Weatherly, Kevin Dankosky, and Ms. Cole

Guest: Kelly Clinch and Pam Tallmadge

Bruce opens meeting at 4:04

- Approved March minutes
- Ms. Pickett came out this week to monitor new cold lunch line. She saw how two hot lunch lines and the addition of the grab and go lunch line improved how fast students were able to get their lunch. Main objective for Council at beginning of the school year was to see a third lunch line and Dr. Walker and Ms. Picket helped us get it done.
- Dr. Sherry Johnson has asked for DHS to receive a \$2500 grant for school breakfast.

Teachers' Report

- Coach Dankosky read an email from Ms. Carter. She was very appreciative for all the support she has received for the writing lab. This concept was presented from council and after a few years, came to fruition. Ms. Carter gave tutorial sessions to 343 students, lunch and meet was attended by 198 students, and was able to be a guest teacher to ELL, AP Lang, and many other classes. In the Fall, she helped seniors work on their college essays. The feedback that was received was to have availability before and after school as well.
- Chromebooks were an asset as they helped to expand teaching methods.
- Ms. Cole is great at reading all the teachers' suggestions placed in the suggestion box and responds back immediately to them.

Principal's Report

- Review of CSIP (Continuous School Improvement Plan)
- Three objectives
 - 1. Improve Student Proficiency in Coordinate Algebra and Analytic Geometry
 - 2. Improve Proficiency for all English Language Learners in Literature 9
 - 3. Create a more culturally responsible school environment
- Attended security seminar and would like to bring to DHS teachers during preplanning.
- Ms. Cole found a chorus teacher she would like to hire and is just waiting on HR for approval.
- A handful of teachers are retiring or either leaving due long commute from their home. Ms. Cole feels DHS is ahead of the game on hiring.
- May 25th, trees are being taken down where new quad will be installed
- May 31st installation begins
- Improvements will be done to retention area
- Ms. Cole announced she has had a great year and very happy at DHS.

New Business

• Review DCSD budget and DHS's allocation. DHS budget grew in 2016, 2017, but losing money for 2018-2019 school year. An excel spreadsheet was presented showing DHS budget compared to the other schools in Region I and Region II. No one in Region II is losing money. Bruce will

talk to Dr. Sherry Johnson and ask "why" we are the only school where our budget is lower than previous year.

- Attendance for next year is projected to be 2042.
- Looking for a community representative to be on Principal Advisory Committee. Will reach out to Chamber of Commerce.
- Review of new School Council/Principal Advisory Committee election process
- At the beginning of the upcoming school year, a group of Hispanic and African American students have been invited to listen to speakers on their career path. One of the speakers is an alumni of DHS.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:21 pm.