

Dunwoody High School  
Summary of Action for P.A.C. Meeting  
October 19, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. DHS Media Center

**School Council Mission Statement:** *The purpose of the council is to bring schools and communities closer together to solve education problems, improve academics, provide support for teachers and administrators, and bring parents into the decision making process.*

*Attendees - Allegra Johnson, Katie Scharf, Principal Bass, Julia LeDoyen, Megan Cann, Jenny Shulman, Mike Nash*

- 1) **Welcome & Meeting called to order** by Allegra Johnson at 4:30pm. Welcome to new members - Julia LeDoyen, Megan Cann, Jenny Shulman & DHS Teacher Ingrid Gero
  - a. Committee discussed the need for **Community Member Candidates** to the PAC. We agreed to individually do research on potential members and bring names to the next meeting for vote. Coach Bass will be attending the Corners Outreach with Ms. Giram to engage the school with the Hispanic community on Oct 25, 2021.
  
- 2) **Approval of Minutes** from Sept. 14, 2021 meeting - motion to approve called by Allegra Johnson & seconded by Katie Scharf, vote abstained by Julia LeDoyen.
  
- 3) **Election of officers:** Chair - Allegra Johnson, Vice Chair - Julia LeDoyen, Secretary - Megan Cann. Motion to approve election called by Katie Scharf and seconded by Megan Cann.
  
- 4) **Public Comment** - there were no public comments
  
- 5) **Direction/Goals** - Coach Bass and Allegra have discussed the goal for the PAC to help move the educational initiatives set forth by Coach Bass on improving the educational plan at DHS and use the PAC as a sounding board for these initiatives.

- a. One piece of outstanding business from the 2020/21 school year - Sidewalk Expansion by the City of Dunwoody along Vermack Rd. Julia LeDoyen will address a letter to the city and connect with Ms Pearch concerning this expansion.

**6) Teacher's Report -**

- a. Nash - no new business to report
- b. Welcome Mrs. Gero & no new business to report

**7) Principal's Report - Coach Bass**

- a. Enrollment - current enrollment is 2130 (under projected by 130 students)
- b. Teachers/Staff Update - school lost no teachers in the county staff balancing due the current open positions. Admin was able to move a few teachers to open position and keep all staff. Current open positions that need to be filled: Counseling Secretary, ROTC Teacher, Nurse, Special Ed Para. AP Ms Wiles (9th grade AP and Chromebook) was recently promoted to Curriculum AP in APS, Coach Bass will get to hire a new AP and we will know by Friday.
- c. Academic initiatives - CSIP (School Improvement Plan)
  - ◆ Improve Student Proficiency in Coordinate Algebra (9th grade)
  - ◆ Increase the 4 sub group populations academics by 3%
  - ◆ Improve assessment for ELL group by 1 point
  - ◆ Embrace and celebrate diversity at DHS
  - ◆ Begin Kaleidoscope (Student Principals Advisory Committee) with Coach Bass comprised of 8 students (2 per grade) from Student Government, Black Student Union, & HOPE Hispanic Club.
  - ◆ Improve graduation rate to above 89.5
  - ◆ Julia asked if PAC can be a part of any changes moving forward on next CSIP, also asking if learning loss be added to the improvement plan?
- d. Grounds - Field and Track are complete! Ms Pearch is pushing the county hard to move forward with the next project to build concessions and bathrooms. Wildcat Alumni is holding the bank account with money from the Game On Campaign already raised towards the project.

- e. DHS 50 year celebration - This will be big! Planning will begin next spring/summer for a Fall 2022 roll out. This will be a large fundraiser to celebrate the school.
  - f. Senior Gifts - 2020/21 Seniors are giving a sitting area near the memorial with tables, coverings and grassy area to watch baseball and new turf field. 2021/22 Seniors plan to update entry cabinetry and improved logo paintings on the building.
    - ✦ Julia asked if school dues were a requirement in order to participate in special senior events? If so, she expressed her concern on that being a type of graduation tax. Allegra will research what the requirements are for seniors and compare it to Chamblee HS and Lakeside HS.
  - g. Building/Flooding Update - there was a burst pipe from a urinal that flooded the media center. All flooring will have to be replaced. Coach Bass is using this as a good time to renovate & update the Media Center.
  - h. WHAS UP? - Wildcats Honoring All Students - Involving all 9 Honor Societies
    - ✦ 7:30-8:00am Peer Tutoring in the Media Center
    - ✦ Involving Honor Societies to earn their service hours by peer tutoring 30 kids a day in math, science, social studies, english and language
    - ✦ Students will sign up themselves, school will provide some breakfast snacks, honor society sponsors will help coach students on how to peer tutor
  - i. Other Accolades/Concerns -
    - ✦ Junior/Senior Wars - Coach Bass sent out an email to parents warning them of the dangers of damaging others property.
    - ✦ Homecoming - county said No to a homecoming dance (even though we tried to set one outside). Parade, fall festival, football game and Homecoming King/Queen will go on as scheduled. Thank you to the PTSO for the lunch provided by Costco to all staff and students on Wednesday.
- 8) **PTSO Report** - Allegra plans on inviting PTSO Chairs to attend PAC meetings. Fran sent a letter addressing updates from committee. PTSO focus remains on the exterior of the

school building, including 16 new picnic tables, new mulch, clean up eating areas, clean up Memorial Garden and a work order has been placed for a retaining wall to stop mud overflow. PTSO has supported staff and teachers with dinners during Curriculum Night and are making one last push for donations to the DHS Annual Fund.

9) **Old/New Business** -

- ◆ All new PAC members need to complete School Governance 101 training this Fall
- ◆ The Fall 2021 PAC Cross-Council Meeting will be held virtually on **Tuesday, November 2, 2021.**

9) **2021/2022 Meeting Calendar** - Next meeting will be held 11/30/21 and the remaining meetings will be held at 4pm in DHS Media Center

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| ◆ Tuesday Nov. 30        | ◆ Tuesday March 22  |
| ◆ No meeting in December | ◆ Tuesday April 19  |
| ◆ Tuesday Jan 18         | ◆ May if needed TBD |
| ◆ Tuesday Feb 22         |                     |

10) **Meeting adjourned unanimously** - motion called by Katie Scharf and seconded by Allegra Johnson at 6:10pm

11) Next meeting will be held 11/30/21 at 4pm in DHS Media Center