

MINUTES MARCH 18, 2014
NORTHGATE HIGH SCHOOL
SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL

I. WELCOME

The Site Council meeting was called to order at 3:17 p.m. The following members were present:

Ruth Carver	Nicole Reyherme
Riley Barnes	Peggy Ucciferri
Mike Ahn	John McMorris
Jill Wilk	Teresa Bloom
Rula Kassicieh	Dan Reynolds
Robin Spring	Ben Campopiano
Shirley McClelland	

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Nothing reported

III. APPROVE MINUTES

The March 4, 2014 Site Council minutes were reviewed. A motion was made to accept the March 4, 2014 minutes. The motion was seconded then approved.

IV. BUDGET REPORT-BEN CAMPOPIANO

Ben begins by informing the board that the budget remains at \$22,621.76. Ben shares with the board a new funding request from the Math department called ALEKS, a computer based mathematics program currently used for students in Algebra and students receiving D's or F's in Geometry. \$12,000 is needed to fund this program but the department is requesting \$5000. This request left many unanswered questions as to how many students would the program be serving, and how many licenses would the purchase cover.

Robin Spring expressed an idea for using stipend monies to fund a class period for a staff member who can spend more time searching for alternative funding such as grants etc.

Ruth Carver who attends the PFC suggests that Tech Committee present a request for funding to the PFC. PFC would like to know what the school needs are.

Ben explained to the board that he had attended Northgate's Technology meeting with SC board members Nicole Reyherme, Mike Ahn, and Ruth Carver on 3/11/14 and unanimously it was determined after reviewing the funds from Common Core and Measure C that more money is needed, so the Tech Committee has proposed a request for funding from the SC board. The request is for \$22,000 which would help renovate the Library computer lab supplying 37 computers and update the electrical wiring. The total cost for this renovation is \$32,000-\$35,000 the remaining balance to fund this renovation would come from the Tech Committee's common core funds when it comes available.

Nicole Reyherme reiterated the need to renovate the library computer lab as well as to point out how useful the lab is for many students and staff such as; Cyber High which is used before and after school, Naviance for the College and Career Center, and teachers use for class research.

Mike Ahn and Ben Campopiano who represented the PE and Social Studies department withdrew their requests for funding in support for the Tech Committee's proposal.

Jill Wilk suggested the computers from the Library could be refurbished and distributed to other areas on campus such as the Science Lab and to teacher's classrooms.

The board reviewed the following department proposals for funding approval; Art, English, Library/Career, Performing Arts, PE, Science, Social Studies, Special Ed, Tech Committee. (please see the following document listing each departments request).

A motion was made to remove the Performing Arts proposal request for Disneyland field trip which is not an academic request. The motion was seconded then approved.

A motion was made to remove ALEKS math proposal request due to lack of detail regarding costs. The motion was seconded then approved.

Ben made a motion to remove the Special Education request after the board discussed the possibility that many items and equipment requested could be retrieved from other departments this would fulfill the department's request and eliminate the need for SC funding. The motion was seconded then approved. Those opposed; Dan Reynolds.

A motion was made to remove the Art department's proposal request due to a need for more information on specific monies needed. The motion was seconded then approved. Those opposed; Robin Spring, Dan Reynolds, and John McMorris.

Motion made to fund the English department \$1500 for DVD's and DVD transfers. Motion was seconded then approved.

Motion was made to approve the Tech Committee's request for the remaining SC budget of \$21,121.76 to upgrade the Library Computer Lab contingent upon the Tech Committee's approval that the Library's old computers be split between Science and Special Ed with an encouragement for the Tech Committee to consider buying clickers for the Science Department. This motion was seconded then approved.

Dan Reynolds supports the approval of the Tech Committee's plan so that older computers can be recycled to other departments and serve a lot of students bringing in new technology.

Robin Springs adds her approval for the Tech Committee's plan and feels that the lab is underutilized and teachers are frustrated with the constant computer issues.

Meeting is adjourned at 5:00 pm

