

PACIFIC GROVE HIGH SCHOOL

615 Sunset Ave.

Pacific Grove, CA 93950

**SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
March 23, 2009 - 3:00 p.m.
PGHS Library**

Call to order

Absent members: Mary, Joanne, Allen, Ashley, Matt K.

Late: Abby

Approval of minutes of February 23, 2009

Motioned by Felicia

2nd by Katie

Passed unanimously

Comments from the audience

No audience present

INFORMATION ITEMS

State of the State – SIP Funding: We are looking at a 17month budget. Matt Bell reports that funding from the state will be reduced by 15.4% assuming there are no revises by May (due to the 5 measures on ballots). This means rather than the \$61,000 expected, we are looking at \$51,000 this year. Estimate of \$48,000-49,000 next year.

DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS

Monthly Expenditure Report: Special Projects #9 will not be allocated at this time.

Component Reports – Carolyn Hawes (Library Improvement/Technology) reports \$5,000 used for new laptops. 30 laptops will now be available in library/classrooms as needed. \$6,000 spent for parts/replacements/repairs. Future needs: 10 laptops for science department.

Thank you, Carolyn, for the work put in to this.

Needs Assessment

Parent Survey – Bill, Allen, Abby, and Matt B. put together a brief survey for parents using Powerschool. There were 134 respondents up from the 20 we received last year. Bill walked us through the survey. There were 9 questions. Acronyms (AVID, CAHSEE, ROP, etc.) used in the survey were often unfamiliar to parents, and will need to be explained better in future surveys. Also, there appears to be rumors that need to be addressed. One example would be that sports are funded by the Breaker Club rather than SIP funds. All in all it seems our committee is heading in the right direction for its funding. There is a large amount of community interest in placing the school newspaper, *The Knockout*, back into the Hometown Bulletin. PG Pride joined in with SIP to support 4 more issues to be printed. It is our hope that *The Knockout* develops enough community support to find money through advertisers in the future.

HSEEE (student) Survey – This is the survey completed by students on campus 2 years ago. A few issues stood out. Survey suggests that half of the students do not feel connected to PGHS. There is also a systematic stress put on students by our society, parents, and PGHS that should be addressed. There also appears to be an alarming amount of substance abuse within the student body.

Students are showing an interest in “real life” activities. This committee would like to look further into getting students interested and involved in clubs on campus; possibly offering community resources to connect students to after high school careers in journalism, culinary, interior design, etc. Character development should be a focus, through speakers and IMPACT’s stress relief program.

Staff Survey – An inventory was taken to check technology in the classrooms (in an effort to improve teaching techniques). Several rooms still have chalkboards or are equipped with damaged whiteboards. It is agreed that needs should have a direction and there should be a broad approach taken. What needs does staff have that will touch the most students?

ACTION CALENDAR GUIDE LINE:

MONTH	ACTION
JUNE	School Board Approval
MAY	SSP Council Approval
APRIL	Draft 1 – SSP
MARCH	Results / Information for Needs Assessment

Matt Bell to compile a draft of components/categories to address needs we have found. No numbers will be in this draft at this time. SIP members are encouraged to formulate ideas and send to Matt with a cc to Bill and Rachel.

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Motioned by Matt Bell

2nd by Mary Beth

Unanimously passed, meeting adjourned at 4:50.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- PSAT – Review Scores
- Grouping Information

COMPONENT REPORT CALENDAR

COMPONENT	WHO	WHEN
#1.1 Instructional Materials / Staff Development	Form	Ongoing
#1.3 Field Trips	Form	Ongoing
#1.5 Literary Magazine	Larry Haggquist	May
#2.1 Tutorial Services / Instructional Materials	Todd Buller, Barbara Martinez	April
#2.3 Library Improvement	Carolyn Hawes	March
#3.3 Technology: Repair/Replace	Carolyn Hawes	March
#4.2 Character/Accountability Education.	Sean Keller	April
#4.3 Visual and Performing Arts	Form	Ongoing

Next meeting: April 27, 2009