

## South Lyon High School SIP Meeting Minutes September 23, 2015

**Present:** Mitchell Rosekrans, Assistant Principal; Jill Blasy, Dave Carravallah, Brenda McCloskey - Teachers; Chuck Chinavare, Mike Keller, Carl Towne - Parents; Michele Darket, Support Staff; Sarah Miller, Julia Toye, Valeria Ward – Students

The meeting began at 2:35 p.m.

### Announcements

- Introductions were made of all those in attendance
- Mr. Rosekrans reported the staff changes for the 2015-16 school year.
  - Jim Brennan will be interim Assistant Principal while Karen is the interim Principal at Millennium
  - Andrew Klebba will be our full time Art teacher
  - Bailey Gamble will be joining our science department teaching Physics and AP Physics
  - Charlotte Morey will be our new Design and Technology teacher
  - Matt Naudi will be teaching Physical Education, joining us from Kent Lake
  - Marco Carnacchi will be teaching Physical Education during 4th hour
  - Amanda Heise will be filling in for Jim Brennan during his interim position
  - Linda McKee will be filling in for Todd Goshorn, who is a new dad
  - Denise Kling will be filling in for Brittany Smithkort, who is a new mom
  - Tyler Willemse will be our new afternoon building engineer.
  - Christin Schmitt new geo-physical, oceanography and meteorology teacher
- Will be hiring for
  - Sara Myers, special education teacher
  - Long-term guest teacher for Jim Brennan, as Amanda Heise secured a full-time teaching position out of the District
- PRIDE Crew – Julia Toye shared information about the PRIDE Crew orientation, training, 1<sup>st</sup> day of school, and tailgate. The PRIDE Crew is a group of 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> grade students who volunteer to mentor 9<sup>th</sup> grade students as a way to help freshmen become familiar with the school and feel comfortable in their surroundings at school.

### Upcoming Dates

- October 2 Homecoming Assembly (6<sup>th</sup> Hour of School); Homecoming Tailgate; Homecoming Football Game, 7:00 pm against Novi High School
- October 3 Homecoming Dance
- October 11 Academic Awards Banquet Ceremony for students receiving a 3.5 each semester of the previous school year.
- October 14 PSAT Testing for all 11<sup>th</sup> grade students

### Old/New Business and Community Announcements

- Grade of Concern – Since the middle of last year, emails have been sent out to parents rather than phone calls
- Staff again requested to have the mandatory reading of the handbook be via video rather than being read. It was suggested to have 10 minutes of each class period dedicated to watching a video of the handbook or perhaps having an assembly schedule of the day of the handbook reading and have it all take place in one hour.
- Discussion took place as to when items that were approved on the bond would be implemented at SLHS.
- A parent requested there be consideration in dropping the pay-to-play for athletics and the pay-to-participate fees for students/families

### SAC/School Improvement/NCA Updates

- Mr. Rosekrans stated we had received accreditation from AdvancEd last year and it is through the 2020 school year.

### **Student Council Update**

- Window paint for homecoming will take place on September 24, 2015
- A spirit week will be held next week leading up to Homecoming.
- Voting for the Senior king and queen will take place the week of September 28-October 2.
- Decorating for the homecoming dance will take place on Saturday of the dance.
- Wristbands will be distributed at the dance. If a student exhibits inappropriate dancing, their wristband will be cut off and they will be asked to leave the dance.

### **Other**

- A concern was raised about the wearing/use of smartwatches. A parent reported he heard an article regarding students using smartwatches to cheat on exams.
- Parking Lots – Traffic seems to be a safety concern once again for students being dropped off and picked up from school. Mr. Rosekrans has been monitoring the situation and a Skylert message will be issued to all parents/guardians soon. Mr. Towne has expressed interest on joining the committee looking into the re-design of the parking lots to alleviate some of the congestion and addressing safety concerns.
- Julia Toye and Valeria Ward expressed interest in the Chinese class taking a trip to China, similar to the summer trips taken by other World Language classes, i.e. German, Japanese, and Spanish. They have approached the Chinese teacher about the possibility. Mr. Rosekrans stated that all the necessary paperwork and preliminary information needed to be completed and approved by the Principal, as well as the Assistant Superintendent of CITA.

The meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm.

Submitted by,  
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Principal's Secretary