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## School Site Council Meeting Minutes February 20, 2018

➤ Welcome at 3:31pm

In attendance and present:

Dr. Teresa Haga, Mr. Julio Omier, Larry Bennet, Emily Orozco, Paige Caldwell  
Jorge Jimenez, Jennifer Donohue, Ron Newhouse, Arianna Cavoretto, Angelica Medina  
Maria Tiznado

➤ J. Jimenez motioned to start the meeting. P. Caldwell seconded the motion.

➤ No Approval of prior minutes.

➤ Student Report

Emily Orozco reported on wrestling, basketball and the winding down of winter sports. E. Orozco commented that planning is underway for prom. The Junior class is heading up the planning. Graduation is planned by the RMHS Administrative team. Additional updates were given regarding Senior activities such as Open Mic and the Sadie Hawkins dance.

➤ Principal's Report

- Dr. Haga met with Mr. Arnold to review the budget. Dr. Haga shared with the council that an additional 6K from Title I money needs to be spent before the end of the year. Dr. Haga went over possible areas that may benefit from the funds such as professional development, field trips, student motivation trips, Ophelia Project, AVID, summer math, and english programs, AP readiness program, etc. Dr. Haga encouraged teachers to come back to our meeting in March with input from staff members.
- J. Jimenez inquired about more info about the AP Readiness program. Jimenez inquired how the program transports students, which teachers go, etc.. Dr. Haga addressed these questions.



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- SAT prep classes will be instructed by RMHS staff and not instructed from outside staff.
  - Funds set aside for AVID will be utilized at the end of June. Approximately 15 teachers are scheduled to attend the Summer Institute.
  - LCAP survey closes March 2, 2018. Dr. Haga encouraged teachers to inform their students that the survey has an impact on our school and to participate in the survey.
- Old Business:
- Dr. Haga discussed the WASC report was finished and our site is expecting the WASC review committee the week of Feb 25th.
  - Dr. Haga encouraged our parents and students to come and discuss our school values, culture, and programs with the committee.
  - Dr. Haga discussed Senior activities as we near the end of the year. The Council was directed to the website for important dates such as grad night, Senior brunch, and the day of graduation. Graduation will be at The Show at Agua Caliente this year. This decision was based on the results of a survey issued to parents and students that asked for their input and preference.
  - Mr. Omier provided an update on the Safe School Plan. The Plan is due March 1, 2018.
- New Business
- WASC will be visiting and reviewing our site starting February 25th through February 28th. Dr. Haga encouraged all staff, parents, and students to attend the meeting on Wednesday February 28, 2018 at 3:15pm to hear the WASC committee review.
  - Mr. Omier stated that the focus for the 2018 Safe School Plan will be to provide additional lockdown training for staff. The Safe School Plan will also address ideas on reducing school suspensions for the upcoming year.
- ELAC/DELAC Updates.
- At the DELAC meeting, the new ELL assessment was discussed. DELAC parents were informed of how important the exam is for students. Parents were informed about GED courses offered and dates for open enrollment for incoming Kindergarten students.
  - Mr. Omier shared his appreciation for the staff and teachers in helping the students through the testing process. The process has been rigorous.



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- Mr. Omier provided an update on CAFE. Sixty three percent of the CA population is designated as English Language Learners. CAFE (California Association of Bilingual Education) is a conference that helps parents support their students in education, teachers learn strategies to help scaffold for ELL, etc.
  
- Public Comment
  - Mr. Omier wanted to express appreciation to all of our winter coaches. He encouraged the staff to extend a “Thank You” to the coaches and staff that lead to a successful season.
  - Angelica Medina inquired about our Safe School Plan and what plans are in place due to the recent school shooting in Florida. Dr. Haga explained that our school site has a lockdown procedure that is current and that our staff is trained and aware of procedures. In addition, the district has already been working with middle schools to provide additional active shooter training and the training will extend to the high schools. RMHS will have the training on March 21, 2018.
  - Mr. Omier commented that our site has security patrols, cameras, and we continue to highly encourage our students that “if they see something, say something”.
  - Dr. Haga encouraged parents that in the event of an emergency situation to limit calls on cell phones as the phone lines are needed for emergency responders.

Meeting adjourned at 4:18pm

Next meeting: March 20, 2018