

VRHS SAC Meeting  
May 10, 2017

**Minutes**

- Start Time: 5:33 pm
- Finish Time: 6:58pm

**Members Present**

- DeDe Bolke, Joy Sprenger, Wayne Sprenger, Donica Allen-Wells, Margaret Jurek, Samantha Romero, Michael Pickering, Tiffany Blagmon, Scott Anderson, Heather (Tambria) Miller, Bruce Grose,

**Agenda**

- 17/18 PTSA Members Needed
  - If you know of anyone interested in the VRHS PTSA positions listed below for the 2017/2018 SY please give them Sandi Esparsen's contact information ([sandi\\_esparsen@yahoo.com](mailto:sandi_esparsen@yahoo.com))
    - President
    - Vice President
    - Treasurer
- 2016-2017 School Year Recognitions
  - Please see the google slideshow:  
[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/18I9QIWE\\_ADNWuaLaJuaSkRPgZloD7wr\\_XdEJEIt6RKc/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/18I9QIWE_ADNWuaLaJuaSkRPgZloD7wr_XdEJEIt6RKc/edit?usp=sharing)
  - Still a work in process - will be shared at the start of the upcoming school year to review the last school year
- New Graduation Requirements
  - Will be effective for the Class of 2021 - incoming 9th grade students
  - Departments creating their pathway flowcharts
  - Graduation is no longer based solely on credits but also on mastery in all 8 areas as well as completing their pathway.
    - Pathway - if a student wants to be an auto mechanic the school has to provide a path for that student to accomplish their goal
      - May not be offered at Vista Ridge but can be offered via concurrent enrollment through VRHS
- Course Changes

- Tentative upcoming courses
  - Exploratory classes
    - Art
    - CTE
- New courses being offered at VRHS
  - Critical Thinking
  - Applied Algebra 1
  - Applied Algebra 2
  - Applied Geometry
  - American Sign Language II
  - Russian
  - Pathways classes to replace Advisory (ties into ICAP)
    - 9th Grade: Pathway Exploratory
    - 10th Grade: Pathway Design
    - 11th Grade: Pathway Mastery I
    - 12th Grade: Pathway Mastery II
      - Will move to the first period of the day
      - A pass/fail grade will be attached
      - .25 credit will also be attached
  - TA for science as well as math from YouTeach UCCS
    - Tentative Numbers: 20 students for 1 teacher, 1 TA
  - Blended Model
    - Math teachers are intentionally placing students in classes for the upcoming school year to set up students for success
    - Smaller student number blended classes will be available next year in addition to the larger blended classes
- Reviewing and updating the bylaws
  - Wait for voting on any changes for the start of the next school year
    - Add option for digital voting in case of emergency
- Budget close out review (10 Fund)
  - Athletics
    - In the red in the maintenance/repair account in order for us to gain ADA compliance for our football field
  - Departments are not given a set budget. Instead all purchase requests are approved by Mr. Grose for priority
- Dashboard update

- Slideshow presentation on Zone Performance by Pickering
  - Scheduled to be presented at the May 11th Board of Education meeting at the central office board room starting at 6:30pm
    - Performance Report Summary
      - Elementary Schools
        - Increase focus on math
          - Pedagogy and developmental stages
          - Common assessments and pacing guides
      - Skyview Middle School
        - Increase focus on pathways, literacy and mathematics
          - Math interventionist, 8th grade pathway opportunities
      - Vista Ridge High School
        - Increase focus on pathways, literacy and mathematics
          - Licensed interventionist, tiered pathway courses, concurrent enrollment
      - Secondary Literacy Team
    - Visit [PZInnovators.org](http://PZInnovators.org) to learn more