

Sun Valley High – Site Based Minutes

Wednesday, April 29, 2015

3:15 – Media Center

Members Present: Dru Thomas, Brian Cattaneo, Doug Covell, Carrie Mabry, Jeff Reynolds

Community Construction Equity Plan (CCEP)

Update: A \$390 million budget has been estimated for the building of two new schools, which includes Sun Valley High as one of those proposed new schools. This amount will be proposed as part of either a new bond in February 2016 or as part of a 2nd bond 3 years from now.

Brian Cattaneo suggested submitting a proposal for a pool to be included in the Sun Valley High plans. This pool will be centrally located and will be available to all UCPS high schools. It is very difficult to find locations for swim practices and meets since there is not a public high school pool located within the county.

School Improvements – Summer

New floors will be installed throughout the math and English halls and classrooms. This project begins June 15.

Open House – rising 9th grade students

May 19 at 5:30 pm

Administration and Guidance will conduct an information session from 5:30-6:00. Parents & Students will be released to complete a self-guided tour from 6:00-6:30. Parents & Students will then be directed to the New Gym for department meet and greet.

Positions Open

Yearbook needs a new adviser.

Student Council needs a new adviser

Graduation needs a new Chair. Mrs. Thomas is proposing that a graduation committee be formed to distribute duties and responsibilities.

Competitive Salary Proposal

Dr. Ellis and BOE are proposing a 14% above base supplement increase in order to be more competitive with teacher salary. The question was asked whether other supplements would be increased as well (coaches, band, musical theatre, etc.).

New Course

Aerospace Engineering and Design will be offered next school year.

Cell Phone Policy

UCPS is reviewing its current county cell phone policy (voting today 4.29.15).

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Middle School Proposal – no cell phone use during entire instructional day

High School Proposal – cell phone use allowed during instructional day in hallway and cafeteria

Digital Curriculum – Drivers Education

The State is cutting drivers education funding for schools. However, NC Law states that high schools must offer drivers education. The current recommendation is to offer the course completely online. Parents may be required to pay for driving portion of course.

New 10 point Grading Scale

1st 6 weeks – lowest acceptable grade will be a 50

Awards Night

May 20 – 6:00pm