

Innovation Tech H.S. School Council

Minutes (2023-2024)

Meeting Date 11/15/2023 Meeting Location: ITHS, Room 210

Members present	Patricia Hurley, Linda Lyon, Lysa Nabours, Rhonda Burnett, Melissa Martinez
Members absent	
Constituency group represented	Admin, Classified, Teacher

- I. Called to order at 4:07 pm by Martinez
- II. Approval of Minutes for (9-21-2023)

DISCUSSION NOTES	N/A
CONCLUSIONS	N/A
ACTION ITEMS	
Approved	

III. Call to the audience

DISCUSSION NOTES	No calls from the audience.
CONCLUSIONS	N/A
ACTION ITEMS	
N/A	

IV. Reports

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Principal, budget (Lyon)
DISCUSSION	 From the Principal (Mrs. Hurley): Celebrations: Senior Class Economic Summit. Project Based Learning in Economics. Hands on learning in which students created fictional countries and economies. Our Spook-tacular Spirit Week culminated with an after-school movie night for the senior class! PSAT for Grades 9, 10, 11: Grade 9 performed above District average; Grade 10 was 2-4 points under District average (but cohort was above last year's score); Grade 11 was 8 points under District average (room for growth). PSAT scores match Q1



Benchmark scores. *Teachers are using test data for planning lessons and evaluating students' progress. For example: teachers in all content areas are practicing with fractions and basic grammar (areas for growth). We are a more data-focused school community! • Attendance at after school tutoring (Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays) and Conference Period (Tuesdays) is encouraged! • Graduation Rate: 95% • School Letter Grade: B. We continue to strive towards an A (using data). Our strong B is indicative of the efforts made in the classroom. • School Marquee: it is installed and lit up on the southwest corner of the drive (near QT). • Open Enrollment: we are accepting students at all grade levels, some new students will begin Semester 2 with us. • 12/6: we will attend the Step Up Expo from 5:30-7:30 pm to recruit more students. • We are offering campus tours as the word spreads about us! • Construction Update: the second building is on schedule. Parking Lot changes: all pedestrians should use the yellow crosswalk, all drivers should watch their speed and adhere to the current traffic flow until late January 2024. • Winter Formal: Dec. 8 – tickets are on sale through our website. • End of Semester 1: Grading Day will be Dec. 22, 2023. Winter Break will be Dec. 23, 2023 - Jan. 7,2024. Budget (Mrs. Lyon) • No budget news from TUSD yet: no advertising yet.		
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V. Action Items

ITEM TITLE	Approve funds for 2 buses, 2 substitutes, and ticket purchase (\$9/student) for approximately 69 students to attend the Arizona Repertory Theater production of "Much Ado About Nothing" at the University of Arizona on April 19, 2024.
DISCUSSION NOTES	This play is part of Grade 12 ELA curriculum. Attending a live performance of Shakespeare's work meets the unique learning of Honors English students. Request to use undesignated tax credit budget is due to lack of other funding.
RESOLUTION	
Move to approve: Mrs. Nabours Seconded the motion: Mrs. Hurley Motion approved unanimously.	

VI. Discussion/information items



ITEM TITLE	As soon as possible, extend Conference Period to Thursdays (in addition to Tuesdays).
DISCUSSION NOTES	Mrs. Nabours: great idea! Mrs. Hurley: we are still in the trial year for a Tuesday Conference Period schedule. Adding an additional day of Conference Period requires the approval of our regional assistant superintendent. Ms. Martinez: discussion at grade level PLC – assign Conference Period to students in danger of failing. Mrs. Hurley: it is acceptable to sign Conference Period; must be prearranged with parents.
RESOLUTION A PROPOSED BELL SCHEDULE WITH 2 CONFERENCE PERIODS PER WEEK WILL BE SUBMITTED FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR.	

VII. Submission of items for next agenda.

o 3rd Quarter testing, ACT plan, construction update, spring registration.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 pm by Ms. Martinez.

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