

# **Eugene IHS Site Council Meeting**

## **September 17, 2013**

Present: Peggy Farris, Rebecca Hammons, Hannah Eshelman, Selena Blick, Janell Schoellhorn, Brad Schoellhorn, Jocelyn Harley, Donn Osterlund, Carey Killen, Amy Duncan, Joanne Moorefield, Wade Powell, Lloyd Madden, Jerico Schwab, Lisa Albrich

### **Welcome and Introductions**

#### **Eugene IHS Site Council Governance**

Steve gave us an overview of the function of the Eugene IHS Site Council and how it participates with the staff in the governance of the school. The governance document and school goals were distributed.

### **Reports**

#### **Student**

The Eugene IHS Student Government will be holding interviews for 9<sup>th</sup> graders interested in serving in student government. They are also selling t-shirts and sweatshirts. The student government reps. will be going on a retreat at the end of the month to get to know each better and to plan the year in student government. Wade still needs a female adult who will be able to chaperone at the retreat.

Eugene IHS Celebration – May 31 in the Oakway Center Courtyard. Current students and their parents, alumni, teachers and former teachers will all be invited and the Eugene IHS student jazz band will play.

#### **Parents**

The Welcome to Eugene IHS Parent Meeting is set up for September 23 at the South Eugene cafeteria @ 7:00 p.m. The International Fair will be held October 24 in the Churchill cafeteria @ 7:00 p.m. The CAS (Creativity/Action/Service) Fair will be held April 10 in the South Eugene cafeteria @ 7:00 p.m.

#### **Staff**

The Eugene IHS staff held the annual staff retreat at Avalon Lodge. We usually have a two day, overnight retreat, but this year teachers needed to be back for the all day training on Wednesday. We still had a very fine and productive retreat. We introduced a new schedule, new student information system, and new teacher requirements. We also looked over our goals to see what we did last year and what we might be able to do to improve this year.

The Eugene IHS Opening Assembly, an opportunity for all our students to get together in one place, will be held October 4 from 9:20 to 10:40. The theme/focus will be on the UN speech given by Malala Yousafzai, a 16 year old girl who was shot by the Taliban. Her speech focused on access to and value of education. We will also have a speaker, Bruce Allen, who looks at historical figures who approached conflict in non-violent ways. After the assembly, afternoon students will meet to review the speaker's points.

## **School Report**

### **ABC Schedule**

Students reported that they are adjusting to the ABC schedule, and there are some advantages, like being on the same bell schedule as the host school. Joanne likes that she has different groups of students at the end of the day instead of one group always being last-up. Wade mentioned that, as advisor for a couple clubs, it is nice to be on campus every day. Freshmen are a little shell-shocked, but teachers are helping them get organized and helping them to know where to go the next day. Different campuses have different challenges. South is changing from shorter periods to longer periods, while Sheldon and Churchill are changing from longer to shorter periods. Everyone is working hard to ease the transition.

Teachers will meet juniors and seniors tomorrow (9/18/13) with the new seminar model. We used to have projects at every grade level. Budget considerations have caused us to eliminate projects for 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> grade. For the last two years, two teachers have been responsible for all juniors and seniors. This year each seminar group will be 35-38 students. Juniors will be working on career exploration, CAS, and preparation for the senior paper. Seniors are on a tight timeline for completing the senior paper (due November 22) and will also be working on CAS.

### **Changes**

Teachers are experiencing many changes with the new 3x5 schedule, new student information system (Synergy), a new evaluation system (Talent Ed), and HB 2220.

Synergy – Teachers are still being trained on Synergy and are learning to work with Teacher View. Student View will be coming on-line at South 9/18. Parent View will follow soon so parents will be able to access their student's grades and other information through Synergy.

Talent Ed is a new teacher evaluation system. It is an online computer interface to track teacher effectiveness and help administrators evaluate teachers. This year it must be implemented in all districts in the state of Oregon. New challenges are still being worked out.

House Bill 2220 will have a significant impact. All grades will need to be based on proficiency. The implementation has been delayed.

### **EEF Grants**

For many years now, the Eurasian Conference has been funded through an EEF grant. Last year we received \$2400. The site council will look at grant proposals at the next meeting and rank the proposals before sending to EEF.

### **Next Meeting**

October 8, 2013

Convener: Lisa Albrich

Recorder: Donn Osterlund