

CSH PTG Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 6th, 2024

- Meeting started, January meeting minutes were approved.
- Jen Cahn gave a welcome message, discussed upcoming events
 - Steamanities on 2/15
 - o Freshman/Sophomore Dance need to make sure there is good attendance on 3/1.
 - o Literary Lunch upcoming on 3/21 and ticket sales/raffles are now available
 - Sports Night on 3/7
- Jen Cahn mentioned open CSH Board Positions for 2024-205 school year.
 - Current board members holding those positions discussed the roles and responsibilities
 - Current positions available are: Communications Chair, Committees Chair and Treasurer)
- Jen Cahn announced Winner of the HoliDay of Shopping Raffle: Dorreen Mochrie
- Ms. Mona Hect from the Counseling Department discussed the course selection process and important reminders:
 - Discussed what academic advisement is (facts and timelines, concepts what is right for specific students i.e. time commitment, how schedule will work with their activities and wellness, connection through different disciplines).
 - Materials are available in the counseling department (time per course chart, meeting with individual counselors, grade level planning sheets, and teacher recommendations).
 - Parents of current 8th, 9th and 10th grade students can meet with their child and counselors to discuss their schedule for next year.
 - o For current 1th graders, junior college conferences will start in March
 - End of course selection process is 3/4/24 and the school then works on master schedule and communicates course selections to students by May/June.
- Ms. Hect discussed the process for level changes.
 - Discussed that the decision to change levels is between families and children to decide along with counseling staff and departments chairs.
- Ms. Hect also took parent inquiries on AP, AP English, Capstone and Research tracks.
 - Ms. Hect discussed how college representatives work with our school and their understanding of the CSH program offerings even as they change.
 - Discussed how some of the more challenging programs (i.e. Research and Capstone) can benefit from older students who went through program (senior) supporting the younger grades.
 - Students need to understand the expectations of class and have discussions with counselors, parents and staff.
 - AP courses have benefits for students to help prepare them for college, if the AP course is right fit for the student.
- General announcements were made by district staff:
 - Ms. Gieser New Humanities Director will be coming to an upcoming meeting and working with Mr. Danbusky.
 - Cell phone use discussion getting discussed with staff.
 - o Incoming 7th and current 7th grade classes will have standing presentations from Officer Levy on cell phone use and social media dangers.
- The next PTG meeting will be Tuesday, March 12th @ 9:30 AM in the CSH Sr High Library.
- The next Board of Education meeting will be Tuesday, March 12th @ 8:00 PM in the District Office.