



Phillis Wheatley High School
Community Council Board Meeting 1
April 26, 2018

Houston Independent School District
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Mr. Joseph E. Williams, Principal
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Attendees:

Mr. Joseph E. Williams, Principal
Benilde Gradney, Counselor
Sandra Sanchez, Harris County Program Manager, PWHS Teacher
Dr. Paul B. Joseph, Wheatley Alumni, *Wheatley Hall of Fame*
Alisha Hodge, PWHS Scholar
Yvette Montgomery, Wraparound Resource Specialist

Meeting Start: 3:47 PM

Meeting Discussion:

There were several ideas brought to the table:

- Community Walk: Organize Wheatley HS, Fleming MS and Dogan ES staff for a community tour to bring awareness to the staff the reality and living environment our students survive every day.

-Mrs. Sanchez – introduced the idea having a band and dancers for a “parade” as we travel to gain interest of the student and the parents. We can travel to the apartments and businesses in the area. Bring a translator with us.

-The Community Council serves as the “back-bone” organization to the school. What does that mean to you?

- Togetherness
- Strength
- Family
- Foundation
- Base
- Spine

“A structure that brings all the functions *together*.”

How will we improve parental involvement?

One way is to have a function during a home sports event or build the function around sports activities.

We tend to get better turn out when we include sports.

Ideas:

- Wheatley vs Yates BB game
- Staff vs Students BB game
- Soccer is popular!

-What does the school need?

Mrs. Sanchez – School Spirit

Ideas:

- Yard signs that read: We Love Wheatley, I Love Wheatley, Wheatley Proud, Wheatley Alumni
- Acknowledge students around the school (take down photos of administrators)

-Student Council

Assign President/Vice President or Chair/Co-Chair to each grade level. The student voice must be present. A student body is needed.

-Career Day

Mickey Leeland

Harold Dutton

Students need to know their civic history

-Wheatley Alliance Network (Service List Spreadsheet)

The council reviewed the current service providers of the school.

-Reach out to the C. Jimenez. May have good connections or knowledge of other resources/services/organizations

Senior Dues – each class should make an effort to fund raise for their class.

-Identify a project that a student can create (i.e. a painting in art class to sell at a school function.)

-Christmas Cards (Create a Wheatley Christmas card to pass around to service providers and community)

-Reach out to Fiesta. They have “Fiesta Parties” where a representative will come to the school, bring food and have activities. A way to get parents to come.

-Dr. Joseph suggest I reach out to Falles Paredes for clothing donations.

Next Meeting Date: TBD. The week of May 14th is the predicted week. Will propose date and time for next meeting.

Take Away

What should have done by next meeting?

1. Mrs. Sanchez will reach out to Fiesta for partnership.
2. Ms. Montgomery will draft the vision/mission/values for review next meeting.
3. Ms. Montgomery will send out meeting notes to attendees.

Meeting Concludes: 5:39PM