

CVHS SDMC Meeting Minutes

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MEMBERS:

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(Non-instructional Staff)

Tanzeela Aziz *(Parent)*

Susan Barnes

(Community Member)

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(Special Ed. Appointee)

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Melissa Matsu

(School-based Professional)

Ramon Moss *(Principal)*

Colleen Schmidt *(Teacher)*

Sangita Vadapalli *(Parent)*

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Topics Covered:

The meeting commenced at 8:00 AM.

The SDMC reviewed **waivers** for:

- The **Pass / Fail Option** allows students to participate in specific elective courses and not have grade point averages negatively impacted. 4-point courses hurt students who have a GPA higher than 4.0.
- The custom **9 week grading cycle** waiver provides more time within a grading cycle for mastery of content before a grade is on a report card.

On 05/07/21, 27 faculty members voted unanimously in favor of both waivers. SDMC had no questions – sounds good, in favor.

With what may be a regular 21-22 school year, there is a request to revisit **school safety** issues, especially in light of recent mass shootings. Prior to the pandemic, we hired a consultant to assess campus safety including exits and entrances, and help develop a plan. Mr. Moss will revisit the possibility of a presentation by Ms. Ford's homeland security contact during August's in-service training.

Safety and health concerns regarding covid and class sizes were discussed. In general, members want the same safety protocols & resources, contact tracing, ventilations, mask-wearing, etc. especially in light of projected class sizes. According to the draft 21-22 schedule, most teachers will have 30-35 students per class. As persons have more opportunity to receive vaccinations, we will continue following safety guidelines for the projected # of persons on campus.



Seniors participate in a special tie-dye event in May.



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In May, we celebrate **Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month**.

We celebrate the achievements of **Asian American and Pacific Islanders**.

We honor the legacy of those who have contributed to a better society whether through activism or entertainment.

(continued):

Students who choose to attend **virtual academies** for 21-22 will lose their spaces at CVHS, but we hope most students return. HISD trustees vote this Thursday.

Dept. chairpersons received a draft 21-22 **master schedule**. Some classes (ie: AP Calculus BC and Pre-AP Comp Sci) have huge numbers. We want to maintain 3-foot spacing in classrooms. Questions included possibilities of a portable building & more teachers to reduce the 33:01 student - teacher ratio.

An additional HISD counselor will replace CIS and also have assigned tasks in 504, SEL, CTC.

Mrs. Harris mentioned ELA department con-

cerns regarding **class numbers** in pre-AP / AP writing-intensive courses. Mr. Moss doesn't anticipate changes due to funding.

Mrs. Vadapalli asked:

- Are students able to host **camp**s at CVHS this summer? TBD but we are planning an in-person Fish Camp with a virtual alternative.
- Will CVHS host a virtual **College & Career Fair** this year? The in-person version was a really big hit for students. It is in development for the fall.
- Will **tennis** practice/meets resume this school year or summer? In the past, where have students organized/played **basketball**? Try-outs and practices for tennis will occur outdoors when school resumes in August. Indoor practice for club sports such as basketball have been restricted.



We proudly celebrate Mrs. Shannon Duncan on National School Nurse Day and everyday!

Mrs. Schmidt inquired about the **average number of students** in English 1 and AP Human Geography. Can we prioritize smaller numbers in core classes, larger numbers in elective classes? The master schedule was drafted strictly from course requests.

School ends June 11th w/ administrative staff working thru the end of June. **Thank you** to SDMC! The SDMC may be contacted in June if the need arises.