

Agenda + Minutes of 4.20.22

Hanover High Council [Meeting #25]

“A good compromise is one where everybody makes a contribution.”

-- Angela Merkel [Former Chancellor of Germany] --

- Bring a Motion to Council - ANYONE Can! -



The Bitesize Council Agenda + Minutes 🍪

1. Agenda

- a. **Spring Carnival Allocation - 2021-2022**
 - i. * Tentative * estimate for Spring Carnival supplies
- b. **Examining Equity Committee Creation Bylaw Revision - 2021-2022**
 - i. Committee of dedicated members with diverse views needed to be created to have an impactful, cohesive MLK Day Celebration
 - ii. This committee should have the ability to plan other equity-related events so that students are provided opportunities to better themselves and their communities

2. Minutes

- a. **Spring Carnival Allocation - 2021-2022** [\$500] **PASSES**
 - i. Spring Carnival supplies [tie-dye, food, drinks, kickballs, etc.]
- b. **Examining Equity Committee Creation Bylaw Revision - 2021-2022**
Notification [Bylaw Change]
 - i. If a Council officer is removed, the PR Officer should release a statement on a school-sponsored platform announcing the change in representation, without mentioning the reason for removal
 - ii. Ensures that the community is aware of their representatives
 - iii. Council cannot be truly democratic if it replaces representatives without releasing a formal statement
- c. Not probable that there will be a veto override for the
Course Standardization Policy Handbook Revision - 2021-2022



Fun Fact #48: Canary Island is not named after the bird, but either dogs or seals.



Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Reports
3. 📄 Spring Carnival Allocation - 2021-2022
4. 📄 Examining Equity Committee Creation Bylaw Revision - 2021-2022
5. Notes + New Business

Minutes

1. Approval of Minutes

2. Reports

- **Moderator [*Pierce Seigne*]:**
 - Not much on the agenda today
 - Not many people are running for Council, but a lot of current Council members have not turned in their nomination forms!
 - 📄 Course Standardization Policy Handbook Revision - 2021-2022 was vetoed by Principal Stevenson
 - Wording discrepancies
 - “All sections of the same course must operate under the same grading system. This includes grade weighting, retake policies, and lateness policies.”
 - Wants to add that this will be specified at the beginning of the class and in the course standards
- **Assistant Moderator [*Zane Schiffman*] - No Report**
- **Treasurer [*Riley McGuire*]:**
 - Council Fund: \$4,549.11 + Co-Curricular Fund: \$5,760.04
- **Dresden School Board Representative [*Kate McCaull*] - No Report**
- **Public Relations Person [*Lily Versteeg*] - No Report**
- **Committee on Programming and Procedure Rep. [*Sora Shirai*]:**
 - No meeting this week (Staff meeting)
 - Discussed grade scales, weighting, tardy, and retake policies
 - Principal Stevenson outlined potential courses of action
- **Administrative Committee [*Vidushi Sharma*] - No Report**
- **Curriculum Committee [*Alex Rockmore*]:**
 - Did not have much to discuss on Monday
- **Organizational Engineering Committee [*Anna Healey*]:**
 - Worked on Council presentation to RMS and election preparation
- **Student Activities Committee [*Theo Burdick*]:**
 - Well into the student-sorting process for Spring Carnival

- Started coordinating attendance needs
 - **Student Life Committee [Kavi Patel]:**
 - Did not have much to discuss on Monday
 - Fro-yo machine will be delivered within the next 2 weeks
 - Flavors: Tahitian Vanilla + Blood Orange Sorbet
 - *** Point of Information ***
 - When will the ping pong table be available to use?
 - Fridays at Lunch (maybe not this Friday because of Circle)
 - **Scheduling Committee [Kate McCaull + Shayna Rockmore]:**
 - Will meet on Thursday
 - **Council's 50th Anniversary Ad Hoc Committee [Vidushi Sharma]:**
 - If you're interested in writing an article on Council for the *Broadside*, contact Vidushi Sharma
 - **Dresden School Board Athletics Subcommittee [Zane Schiffman] - No Report**
 - **Historical Records Committee [Patrick Elder]:**
 - Talked about focusing attention on organizing the 50th Council Anniversary celebration
 - **New Mascot Selection and Implementation Committee [Kavi Patel]:**
 - Excited to host the Design Gallery in Profe's Room (247)
 - Will hang 18 designs around the room
 - Everyone is welcome to come and vote
 - Everyone will have 5 votes in total
 - Top 10 designs will move on to the final election process
 - There will be cookies!
 - **Secretary [Saia Patel]:**
 -  Council Recording Disclaimer | Staff + Senior Alts. can vote
 - *** Point of Information***
 - Profe's room is 247
 - **Announcement from School Board Representative [Lisa Christie]:**
 - Last meeting as the official representative from the School Board
 - Kelly McConnell is taking over
 - It has been an honor to attend the meetings
 - Might visit periodically!
3.  **Spring Carnival Allocation - 2021-2022**
[Theo Burdick ('24) on behalf of the Student Activities Committee]
- I move to allocate \$500.00 from the Co-Curricular Fund to Laura Keniston in order to pay for Spring Carnival Supplies.
 - Seconded by Kavi Patel ('24)
 - Authorship Speech

- This is a *tentative* estimate for supplies. An itemized list will be shared upon request to any SAC chair or staff member. Ms. Kenniston will order all of the needed materials, and any funds not used will be returned.
- Question Session
 - What are some examples of supplies that will be needed?
 - Supplies for tie-dye, food, drinks, extra kickballs, etc.
- Debate [Immediately Closed]
- Motion PASSES [[Roll Call](#) Vote ... \$500+ Requested)

4. Examining Equity Committee Creation Bylaw Revision - 2021-2022

[Vidushi Sharma ('23) and Josh Stearns ('24)]

- Notification of Motion (Required for Bylaw Revisions)

5. Notes + New Business

- Notification of

 Examining Equity Committee Creation Bylaw Revision - 2021-2022

[Vidushi Sharma ('23)]

- Intent Statement
 - I move to make the following changes to the Council Bylaws:
 - If the accused Council officer is removed, the Public Relations officer should release a statement on Schoology or on another school-sponsored platform (such as *The Broadside*) announcing the change in representation.
 - The statement should read: “[new Council officer] will be replacing [former Council officer] as a/an [at-large/class of XXXX] representative”
 - The statement should not mention the reason for the removal of the Council officer
- Authorship Speech
 - This ensures that the community is aware of their representatives
 - Council cannot be a truly representative and democratic body if it replaces representatives without releasing a formal statement
- Can we address the veto of the
 -  Course Standardization Policy Handbook Revision - 2021-2022 + next steps?
 - Not sure if changes will be made to the motion
 - Proposed changes will alter the intent of the original motion
 - Will discuss more during the next Curriculum Committee meeting
 - To overrule the principal’s veto (most likely will not occur), we must have a public hearing with the entire school and re-vote
 - Must be open to whoever wants to come

- Points were brought up during the staff meeting about the motion
 - Plan to discuss more in Curriculum Committee meeting
 - Will respond to the given feedback
- [Speaker] strongly urges us to not move forward with a veto override
 - This is a sketchy motion from a staff perspective
 - Staff are reluctant to give up some of their authority when it comes to classroom practices
 - Council should build trust with staff by incorporating feedback
 - We should align with staff vision about school practices, rather than trying to fight each other
 - This is a way for the two bodies (Staff and Council) to communicate with each other and work with students in a way that satisfies all parties
- To be an effective body, we need to have staff voice on Council
 - There will be some turnover in representation next year
 - If you know a teacher who would make a good representative, encourage them to run
- Who won the Tom Hanlon Cup?
 - The Council Executive knows, but the winner will be announced on Senior Day or Underclassmen Awards
- Can somebody on OEC (responsible for elections) speak to why nomination forms are being used after several years of not using them?
 - The OEC Chair's decision was to not use the form due to COVID-19 (involves approaching people to ask them for their signature)
 - As we're moving forward, we want to reinstitute the practice again
- Is the Skip Bean Democratic Citizen's Award the responsibility of the Administrative Committee or the Student Activities Committee (SAC)?
 - Administrative Committee
- Can someone in OEC speak to why the school will not allow candidates to post a digital poster?
 - [Speaker] attempted to get the poster on the Atrium TV because everybody has access to it
 - Not allowed because we cannot put Council campaigns on the TV
 - Council members have general guidelines to even the playing field
 - OEC was not aware of this problem

Meeting Adjourns

<u>- Past Council Agenda + Minutes -</u>	
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 4.6.22</u>	
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 3.23.22</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 3.9.22</u>
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 3.2.22</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 2.23.22</u>
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 2.2.22</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 1.26.22</u>
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 1.12.22</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 1.5.22</u>
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 12.15.21</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 12.8.21</u>
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 12.1.21</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 11.17.21</u>
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 11.10.21</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 11.3.21</u>
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 10.27.21</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 10.20.21</u>
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 10.6.21</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 9.29.21</u>
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 9.22.21</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 9.15.21</u>
<u>Agenda + Minutes of 9.8.21</u>	<u>Agenda + Minutes of 9.1.21</u>

<u>- Council Links -</u>		
<u>HHS Handbook</u>	<u>Council Bylaws</u>	<u>Council Website</u>
<u>Roll Call Record</u>	<u>Meeting Attendance</u>	<u>Council Members</u>
<u>Broadside Archives</u>	<u>Council Feedback Form</u>	<u>Council Instagram</u>
Email us at HHS Council		

<u>- HHS Clubs + Organizations -</u>		
<u>Clubs + Organizations</u>	<u>Links</u>	<u>Meeting Time</u>
<i>The Broadside</i>	<u>Instagram</u> / <u>Website</u>	Library on Thursday (Activity)
DECA	<u>Instagram</u> / <u>Website</u>	Room 118 on Thursday (Activity)
Environmental Club	<u>Instagram</u>	Room 226 on Tuesday (Activity)
Fashion Club	<u>Instagram</u> / <u>Join</u> / <u>Email</u>	
French Club	<u>Instagram</u>	Room 246 every other Friday
The Hot Take	<u>Instagram</u>	Room R11 on Thursday (Activity)
Houseplant Club	<u>Instagram</u>	Room 233 on Monday (Lunch)
Mokagraphia Club		Room 107 on Tuesday (Activity)
She's the First	<u>Instagram</u>	Room 124 on Thursday (Lunch)
Please email <u>hhs-council@hanovernorwichschools.org</u> to add relevant info!		

<u>- Resources to Build Community + Well-Being -</u>		
<u>AAPL Resources</u>	<u>BLM Resources</u>	<u>Change Resources</u>
<u>Crisis Hotlines</u>	<u>HHS Support Services</u>	<u>HHS Climate Action Plan</u>

<u>- School Counseling Meeting Links -</u>			
<u>Tom Eberhardt</u>	<u>Laurie Harrington</u>	<u>Wendy Kares</u>	<u>Elizabeth Keene</u>
<u>Chris Seibel</u>	<u>Kyle Storey</u>	<u>Devon Voake</u>	<u>Sara Wilmot</u>