

## GUNN HIGH SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL

High Quality Teaching & Learning	Equity & Access	Safe & Welcoming Schools
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### Minutes 04/28/26

#### **Attending:**

Principal: Wendy Stratton  
Staff Reps: Michael Bautista, Victoria Buck, Cora Ross  
Student Reps: Laura Wang, Aiden Farr  
Parent Reps: Manisha Gupta  
Visitors: Esther Li, Emilie Matthey  
Absent: Chanew Kim, Deven Sharma,

Meeting was called to order at 4:45 by Laura Wang.

#### OPEN FORUM

Prom feedback:

- People liked the venue, felt more grand
- Less activities
- Bus signups went well
- Good behaviors overall
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#### OLD BUSINESS

The minutes of the [March 3rd, 2026](#) were approved:

Motion by: Wendy Stratton

Second by: Esther Li

Approve: 9

Oppose: 0

Abstain: 0

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### **Data Spotlight 23:**

- What are unknown absences? It's either excused or unexcused...
- Data per class and by subject
- Make SELF a requirement? (Like just a check mark on the transcript)
- 30 minutes of SELF each week, less structured
- Attendance for SELF, and class attendance in general
  - Rewards instead of punishments
  - Class competition?

- Good environment outside of SELF during class (playing on the quad, etc)
  - Have the classes go out and play?
- Chronic absences consistently growing by 2% each year

#### **Data Spotlight 25:**

- Teachers should remind students to be more open-minded with failures
  - "It's ok to fail"
- Many students feel that if they are not smart then they do not belong
- Redefining "Self-reliance" in the mission statement
- Rising Juniors wanting to take many AP, honors, and other high level classes
- Instruct students with the support resources better
  - Reason of having SELF → partially to promote better wellness

#### Constituency Representatives' Reports:

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#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT by Wendy Stratton

- Disneyland Hotel
- Gunn → Distinguished School Award
- Closing the achievement gap
- Silent disco idea for Gunn?
  - Potentially for each grade level
- Gunn Choir, Orchestra, and Band → all unanimous superior at CMEA
- How students are using AI for mental health
- In the future, more guest speakers for staff members?

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#### PTSA REPORT by

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#### SEC/STUDENT REPORT by Laura, Emilie, Esther, Aiden

- Finished elections completely
- Main elections/Appointed process
  - Big change to appointed positions
  - No longer specific commissioners
  - Trying to remove the title incentive
  - Choosing to do SEC because you *want* to do SEC not because of the title
  - Focusing on personality
- Global Cultures Week
- Prom
- Eid
- Earth Week
- Dodgeball Tourney
- Gunn Sidelands
  - Music festival theme
  - Combined with SPROCO
  - Daily music performance
  - Lunch/Brunch Games

#### STAFF REPORT by Michael Bautista

- Career Panel
  - Nice to hear perspectives from
  - DECA Trip
  - Teachers have been concerned about passing periods
    - 7 Minutes
  - District art show next week

PARENT REPORT by

- Nothing to report

**PARKING LOT (items to be discussed at future meetings):**

SITE COUNCIL BUSINESS

Wendy Stratton moved to adjourn the meeting, and meeting was adjourned at 6:07.