

## **Hamden High School Governance Council Minutes September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 6 pm (on Zoom)**

**Members Present:** Corinne Castro, Evelyn Cumberbatch, Frank Dixon, John Hanna, Nadine Gannon, Liz Marini, Jack Purdue, Nancy Restivo, Melinda Saller, Ann Stiltner, Erica Tamsin, Greg Theriault, Mark Zarillo

### **1. Welcome & Housekeeping - *Frank Dixon***

- a) Roster and Current Member Status - 2 Open Parent positions, 2 Open Teacher positions,
- b) Council Officers - Evelyn, New Secretary; We need a new teacher Co-Chair
- c) Parent Elections - Erica looking for a teacher to help to disseminate parent nomination information to the school community.

**2. Approval of Minutes – *Corinne Castro*** - Minutes from the prior school year need to be posted on the HHS website.

### **3. Principals Update – *Mrs. Gannon***

- a) Students are adjusting to the new system
- b) The school has had significant internet issues, that still need to be addressed.
- c) 12th graders taking the in-school SAT this Wednesday
- d) Not sure about the number of students not engaged in learning due to internet issues. Once those are resolved, there is a system in place to account for each student.
- e) Ms. Gannon doing robo-calls in addition to Dragon Email updates for the best chance of reaching parents.
- f) The number of parents choosing to keep their students home is increasing every day.

### **4. Diversity Committee Update – *Frank Dixon***

- a) Frank working with the town to revisit the Hamden Charter
- b) Hamden will be participating at the National level

### **5. New Business – *Erica Tamsin***

- a) Erica Tamsin made a motion to nominate Evelyn Cumberbatch to secretary. All approved
- b) The HHS compact needs to be reviewed so that it can be sent out to families
- c) C. Erica Tamsin made a motion to hold the next meeting on *OCTOBER 19th, 2020*. Melinda Saller seconded. All in favor.

**6. Adjournment** 7:00pm – *Frank Dixon*

***NEXT MEETING: OCTOBER 19th, 2020***