## September 29, 2015 (First Meeting)

## School Governance Council Meeting Minutes

- 1) Reviewed Handbook
- 2) Bylaws changes to consider
- 3) Voting on Positions:
  - a. Robin-Chairperson Robinlsparks@att.net
  - b. Kevin Keating- Vice-Chairperson kkeating@hamden.org
  - c. Shannon Romagnolo –Secretary sromagnolo@hamden.org
- 4) Discuss issues of concern:
  - a. School safety- Parental Concern
    - i. No discussed during open house; need to address lock down procedures etc.
  - b. Communication of preparing students for college-Need to discuss with guidance
  - c. Promoting Hamden High School
    - i. Discuss with English Direction
    - ii. Promoting in the public papers such as PATCH; possibly create an updated video
      - 1. (Paul Giansanti to meet with 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents)
      - 2. October 28<sup>th</sup> Parent Meeting Night
  - d. Showing 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents what is offered at HHS regarding reading specialist and math tutors.
  - e. Providing guest speakers at HHS- must discuss with central office and the PTA
  - f. Climate Control-Parents were surveyed and believe that the school is too large thus lowering population. Possibility of allowing HMS students to shadow at HHS.
  - g. Promoting positive school climate among alumni- Alumni Shirts- Discuss with Brian Anderson- DECA advisor
  - h. Look at the number of students who are at school before 7 am. What can be offered to them?
    - i. Possibility of morning tutoring programs/ homework program
  - i. Students not having enough time in the morning/between periods to use their locker or limited opportunities during the day- Split periods not an option.

## **Upcoming Meeting Dates:**

Tuesday- October 20<sup>th</sup> - 6pm A105

Thursday- November 19th -6pm A105

Thursday- December 8th- 6pm A105