February 16, 2023 **LSIC Meeting 7pm** UHS Media Center

#### Members:

Kim Greene
Kendryn McDonough
Molli Hamilton
Rachel Simmons
Jeff O'Neil
Olivia Fidler
Stacy Downey
Kyle Patterson
Teddy Stewart
Richard Senatore
Kari Byers
Sharon McCulla\* Participated per phone
Scott Gregory \* Participated per phone

### **AGENDA**

- **Call to Order** Kendryn McDonough
  - The LSIC Meeting was called to order at 6:53p.m.
  - A UHS Website, Email, and Social Media Accounts paper was distributed along with an updated LSIC member list

## Approval of Minutes

- The previous meeting's minutes were discussed verbally.
  - Two corrections:
    - Sharon McCulla has graciously accepted the nomination to LSIC. She will replace Karen Mullins who is no longer with the school.
    - According to the guidelines, LSIC will meet once every academic period. We have added an additional meeting at the end of the school year to allow for questions or concerns.

# • Lunch Pilot Program - Donna Talerico and Brian Kiel

We heard a presentation from Donna Talerico and Brian Kiel. I am attaching the Pilot program information sheet given to us. We listened and actively participated in a discussion. We were told this would be a pilot program for the Lunch Program Only. UHS would be the only school participating in this pilot. No additional money would be used to pilot this program. All meals would still be free to students. West Virginia is the last state to implement this kind of program. We were told that this pilot would allow the cafeteria staff to provide healthy entrees and beverages to all students. With the current

program, the district and schools are very limited in portion sizes and options. Students would be able to get another entree or beverage at a small charge that would not exceed \$2.00 per item. Many of the teachers in attendance felt this was important for student-athletes and students involved with band and theater that may stay after school for activities.

The major concern was how would the district pay for this. We were told with certainty that the cost was already accounted for with the money the district contributes as its portion to the national program. This pilot would ONLY be for lunch periods. The district would not contract out to a food service such as Sodexo. The district and the cafeteria manager would be in charge of ordering the food. This would give them greater control over what the students like and do not like. They will be able to order and have the food items in a timely manner. The guidelines for students with allergies or dietary restrictions would also be addressed and implemented. If the pilot was unsuccessful, we would discontinue it and return to the national program. They would evaluate the program and its nutritional value at least three times per year.

Students in attendance felt this would be a welcomed change. They are excited about different options, especially with beverages. As we went around the room, everyone was in agreement since no additional money would be used to pilot and in the end, it could save the district money with the students purchasing an additional entree or beverage. We also felt the students would have healthier options to choose from, which is something students have been asking for.

• Data Presentation and Discussion - Olivia Fidler and Rachel Simmons
A presentation was given providing our school's math data. The Data team has reviewed the PSAT scores from the fall and provided facts regarding our student population.

The current junior class is not achieving to the levels the data team would like. In English, they exceed the predictions, but in math, they will not exceed college standards. Sophomores are making greater strides and so is the freshman. A discussion was held as to why this could be the case. The junior class was the ones who when covid hit were in the middle of their eighth-grade year. There are many factors that can play into the lower scores, but the teachers have the plan to combat and improve. Each math teacher sat down with each student and mapped out their plan and classes moving forward. At the beginning of each class, teachers are providing an SAT question. They will go over how to read the question, analyze it, and solve it. A big problem was that the students did not know how to decipher the question in order to solve it. Students lacked test-taking strategies.

The data team will continue to meet and look at the data in order to improve scores.

• **Principal's Report**- Kim Greene

- Mr. Stewart gave a discipline report. There were 760 referrals given out to date. 1400/1500 referrers are given per school year. There were many options in terms discipline: OSS, ISS, Lunch Detention, calling home, and twilight school at MTEC in the evening.
- Mrs. Greene reported that the SAT would be given to all juniors on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at UHS. All other grades would not report.
- Talks are occurring about possibly bringing back HAWK Fest.
- Mon Co. Schools will partner with Pierpont Community College to offer a new program in that students can take dual classes to earn an associate degree: One walk; two degrees

## • PTSO Report- Molli Hamilton

- The After-Prom committee is looking for parents to volunteer on the committee to plan and implement the After-Prom on May 6.
- Fundraising was sparse this year, so the PTSO will look for other ways to fundraise next school year
- Lucy's Dreamweaver is looking for deodorant and backpacks to help students in need.

## **Next LSIC Meeting**

Thursday, April 20, 2023 following PTSO