

# Minutes

Waimea Canyon Middle School

School Community Council

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

WCMS Library

9555 Huakai Road

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5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order: Steve Franco called the meeting to order at 5:30pm
2. Attendees: Steve Franco, Principal Speetjens, Amithea Love, Dayle Takakusagi, Serena Cox
3. Approval of the Minutes: Minutes from December 6, 2017 approved.
4. Old Business
  - a. Grants
    - i. Water Fill Station Grant approved. Next step is to receive and install the dispensers.
    - ii. Ag Grant approved for Howard Hurst.
    - iii. Art in Public Spaces artist is in the process of being cleared.
    - iv. The Innovation Grant recipients will be announced early February. WCMS applied for \$160,000 that will be used towards the design of a new library “Think Tank” and MakerSpace.
    - v. The Westside grant that focuses on ag is 1 - 2 years away.
5. New Business
  - a. West Tech Center
    - i. The unoccupied building would be an ideal extended space for both WCMS and WHS. The availability of the space will be researched.
  - b. WASC visit update
    - i. The meeting with SCC is scheduled for February 26, 2018 at 3 p.m. SCC President will send out an email to see who can attend. The WASC Report will also be attached for review.
  - c. Student led-conference timeline
    - i. March 14, 2018 - Health and Wellness Day for the students. Also, WCMS will be spotlighted by “55 by `25”. The mission of the community action campaign is to have 55% of working age adults hold a 2-4 year college degree by the year 2025.
    - ii. March 15, 2018 - Student led conferences will be from 7:45 a.m. - 7:45 p.m. There will be no school for students; however they have to

attend the student led conference with their parent/  
guardian. Since the schedule is a trial it's not necessary to waiver  
out. CKMS recently administered a similar schedule.

- iii. March 16, 2018 - No school for teachers and students since  
teachers will be working double on the 15th.

d. Bell Schedule

- i. The proposed bell schedule was designed to incorporate the 20%  
Google model.
- ii. Students will be assigned to either a "White" group (6th grade and  
half of 7th grade) or "Blue" group (8th grade and half of 7th grade).  
Groups will rotate being released from school at 1:15 p.m. and 3  
p.m.
- iii. After school programs will be offered to students on the days they  
are dismissed at 1:15 p.m.
- iv. The schedule was unanimously approved by the teachers.
- v. Bus company needs to agree to do two drop off times a day. SCC  
has until 3/31 to approve the bell schedule.
- vi. If the proposed bell schedule is approved, WCMS will be the first  
public school to incorporate the 20% time.

e. 8th Grade Banquet

- i. Scheduled for 5/31.

6. Announcements

- a. For next school year the State forecasted 460 students for WMCS while  
WCMS forecasted 470. To date there are 495 students registered for next  
school year. It's possible that two additional teachers can be hired.
- b. Hula and Theater performing on Thursday, 1/25.

7. Adjournment – Steve Franco adjourned the meeting at 6:30pm