

**Honoka'a High & Intermediate School
School Community Council Minutes
February 5, 2019**

Call to Order at 5:02 p.m.

Present: R. Matsumura, T. Picklesimer, S. Wood, N. Faggard, and
Representative M. Nakashima

Principal's Report:

- Financial Plan: We are anticipating lower enrollment at the middle and high school for school year 2019-2020 and are concerned with the budget reduction. We are budgeting for 585 students and have cut positions from 52 teaching positions to 49.
- The academic focus at school has been working with PLC's and using the instructional leadership team framework to focus on student needs. Data is shared quarterly at the leadership level by department to show progress.
- Sports: It has been a successful winter season for sports. The boys' basketball and wrestling teams will be heading to the BIFF playoffs this weekend.
- Student activities: The prom is scheduled for March 4 at the Waikoloa Marriott.
- Testing: ACT testing for Juniors is on February 20, 2019. SBA and AP testing is right around the corner, happening in quarter 4. 7, 8th and 11th graders will be testing in reading and math for the grade-level proficiency test. 8th graders will also be testing in science and 10th graders in Biology.
- Safety:

The list below covers the construction projects that the school has been awarded. Some of the projects are almost complete, while others have been delayed. Safety provisions at the school have been put in place until all projects are complete.

Gymnasium: The contractors are working at a steady pace and we are hopeful that it will be open next school year.

Bleachers: The work on the bleachers is 3 months delayed. However, we are hopeful that the bleachers will be done by the opening of the new school year.

Bathrooms: The new project in the auditorium has also been delayed. The first meeting will be next week to get the ball rolling on this project.

Roofing: New roofing will be installed over the D building. The start date has yet to be determined.

Old Business: No report

New Business:

- *Honoka'a Intermediate & High School Foundation*: Representative Mark Nakashima is assisting the school in starting up a Honoka'a Intermediate and High School Foundation. An attorney in Hilo has offered to help with the required paperwork. The nonprofit status would allow contributions to be accepted through the foundation to help with additional supports needed for the school. It creates opportunities for various funders to also receive a tax write-off.

Next steps include getting feedback from parents, students and teachers about the foundation, reviewing the legal paperwork including bylaws and making necessary changes and looking at board membership. A short survey will be developed for gathering input from the various stakeholders.

- *School Community Council*: We are recruiting parent and community representatives for our School Community Council. The information is listed on our school's website. Nominations are open.
- *Waivers*: The school is requesting a waiver to have 178 days of instruction for students' next school year instead of 180 following the survey results from parents and teachers. The days were granted for parent-teacher conference days in November for the past two years.
- *Waiver for teacher Professional Development*: The teachers are requesting an additional waiver day for Adaptive Leadership training by Carolyn McKanders for the next school year.

Public Testimony: None

Next SCC Meetings:

Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 5 p.m. – College and Career Center
Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 5 p.m. – College and Career Center

Tuesday, May 7, 2019 at 5 p.m. – College and Career Center

Adjournment: 6:06 p.m.