

Catalina High School Council

Minutes 2022-2023

Meeting Date 9-22-22 Meeting Location: Library

Members present	Alexander Velgos, Dr. Norma Gonzalez, Tori Bacal, Karin Bernal, Liz Whittaker, Amy Schull, Allyiah Assuncion, Luz Decochea Gastellum, Sael Estrada
Members absent	Jack Schull, Parents
Constituency group represented	Certified, Admin, Classified, Community, Student

I. Called to order at 3:37 by Alexander Velgos

II. Approval of Minutes for 4-7-22

DISCUSSION NOTES	
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
Liz moved to approve minutes; Karin seconded. All Approved	

III. Call to the audience

DISCUSSION NOTES	NA
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	

IV. Introduce Members

REPORTS TO REVIEW	
DISCUSSION	Mr. Velgos is a teacher, Ms. Bacal is a Counselor, and Ms. Bernal is the Librarian and they represent Certified Staff. Dr. Norma Gonzalez is the principal. Amy Schull is Dropout Intervention Specialist and she represents Classified staff. Liz Whittaker is part of the Alumni Foundation and she represents the Community. Liz, Allyiah and Sael represent Students. Also need to elect a Facilitator to lead the Site Council – there is a stipend if you are a position the receives 301 money, and would need to attend a training at 5:30pm today. Mr. Velgos would like to be the Facilitator, and asked if anyone else would like to put their name in for a vote. No one else replied.

CONCLUSIONS	Ms. Bernal moved that we elect Mr. Velgos as Facilitator, seconded by Alliyah. All Approved. We need an additional Classified member and a couple of parents to join.
ACTION ITEMS	

V. Reports

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Principal
DISCUSSION	For the future, Dr. Gonzalez would like to hear what kind of information the Site Council would like her present at meetings. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> We had to cancel 2 football games so far due to various issues. She plans to find-out why since we get fined every time we cancel. She is going to meet with Ms. Encinas, office manager, regarding the school budget to see where we have unspent money and see if we can find money to buy new furniture for the Library. The admin team has been focusing on discipline since the beginning of the year. Catalina recently got out of "School Improvement Plan," because we increased our grad rate and testing scores. We are getting a new monitor who should be starting soon.
CONCLUSIONS	In the future, members would like to hear about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Her view on how she perceives things are going. How do budgets and disclosure of what funds are being spent on work? Especially related to athletics. Current enrollment. Open positions Budget What the current needs of the school are and how the community can help. Stat on tardies, absences, and discipline.
ACTION ITEMS	
REPORTS TO REVIEW	Certified
DISCUSSION	Velgos – Parent/Guardian/Teacher Conferences were last week and seemed to go well. Bernal – 85% of teachers have brought their students to the library for a presentation. Students seem to be learning how to find things. Bacal – next week is College week with a Tailgate on Wednesday after school. Colleges will be on campus every day. Her and Mrs. Buchanan are going through all the seniors to make sure they are on track for graduation. College week is for all grades.
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
REPORTS TO REVIEW	Classified
DISCUSSION	We are still looking for another classified representative for Site Council. Would like for admin to be conscientious of making sure communication to staff includes all staff, not just teachers.
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
REPORTS TO REVIEW	Students

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are cheerleaders and volleyball players that are upset that there has been bullying and ignoring of students and their concerns by the football team, coaches, and athletic director. • Students would like to be shown that all athletic teams are being treated the same and being given equal opportunities and funds. • Students would like to know when the vending machines are available, and have signs made and put on the front so that students are aware. Also, why have them if they are never on? • The Orange girl's bathroom needs to be re-opened during the school day for students to use. The other bathrooms are too far from the North hallway and students are getting in trouble for being gone too long from class. • Students are hoping that we can start offering field trips again, and maybe even some class trips.
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
	Dr. Gonzalez will make sure that the Orange girl's bathroom is now open each day for students to use.
REPORTS TO REVIEW	Parents
DISCUSSION	We have asked several parent/guardians about serving on Site Council but they have not responded or have said they cannot do it.
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
	We need to add several parents to Site Council.
REPORTS TO REVIEW	Community
DISCUSSION	The foundation put together a newsletter about their work this past year. They donated \$6524 to Catalina Mini Grants already this past year.
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	

VI. Action Items

ITEM TITLE	Request for Funds for Student Council Club– Sam Rolfe
DISCUSSION NOTES	Student government would like to purchase an inflatable movie screen, projector and outdoor speakers. This will be used for school movie nights, pep rallies, and other events on campus. They would like to request up to \$4000.
RESOLUTION	Any moved to approve up to \$4000 for Student Council Club that will be used to purchase the above. Seconded by Liz. Approved 7-0.

ITEM TITLE	Request for Funds for Student Participation Fees
DISCUSSION NOTES	Provide funds for student participation fees. Up to \$5000 over the 22-23 school year.
RESOLUTION	Karin moved to approve up to \$5000 to cover student participation fees. Seconded by Tori. Approved 7-0

ITEM TITLE
DISCUSSION NOTES
RESOLUTION

VII. Plan agenda for the next meeting on 10-20-22

- Amy will send calendar invites

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:51pm by Alexander Velgos

REQUEST FOR FUNDS

CATALINA HIGH SCHOOL
SITE COUNCIL

Requester: Sam Rolfe

Program: Student Government

Vendor: New Egg

Date of Request: 09/20/2022

Amount: \$4,000

Purpose: Student Government would like to purchase an inflatable movie screen, projector and outdoor speakers. This will be used for school movie nights, pep rallies, and other events on campus.

Votes For 7 Against 0

Approved X Denied _____

Approval:


Principal


Site Council Facilitator

Finance Manager



Vendor: NewEgg

School: Catalina High School

IS THIS A TAX CREDIT ELIGIBLE EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY

In accordance with A.R.S. § 15-342(24) and § 43-1089.01(G)(2):	YES	NO
1. Is the activity sponsored by the district/school?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Is the activity for enrolled students?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is the activity optional?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Is the activity non-credit?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Does the activity supplement the district/school's educational program?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Does the district/school charge a fee for participation in the activity?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Is the activity fee paid directly to the district/school?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Was the fee for the activity adopted by the Governing Board at a public meeting after notice to all parents of enrolled students?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
*9. Is part or all of the activity fee being waived by principal? If yes, please state the alternative funding source, i.e. Site Council approval of Non-Designated funds.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Alternative Funding Source: Undesignated Tax Credit

- If you answered NO to Questions 1 through 8, then the activity is not tax credit eligible. If you are not certain how to answer any of the above questions, you should consult the school's attorney before offering tax credits for the activity.

IMPORTANT REQUIREMENT

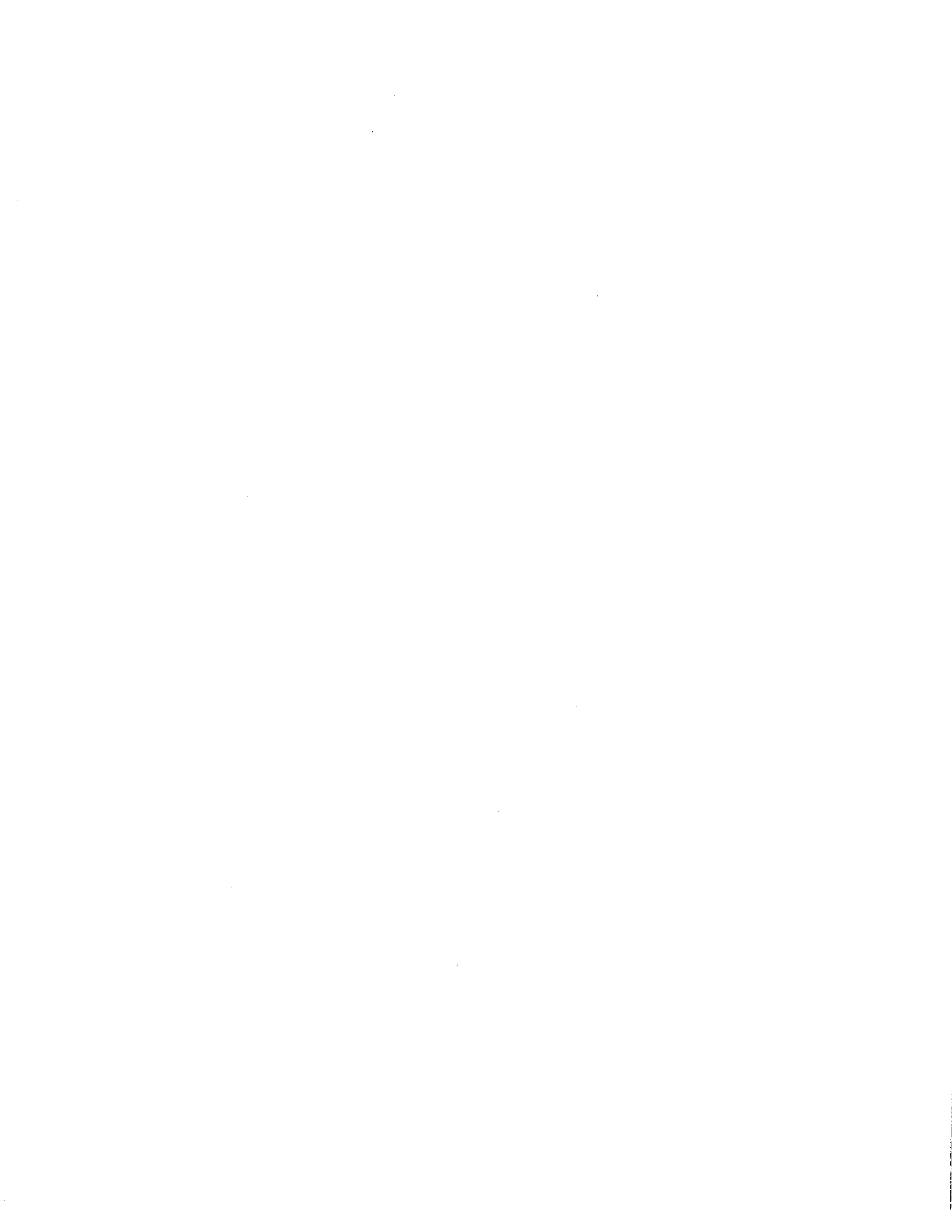
* **Must the district waive all or part of an activity fee if it creates an economic hardship for a student?** The Governing Board must authorize a principal to waive all or part of an activity fee if it creates an economic hardship for a student. See A.R.S. § 15-342(24) and Ariz. Att'y Gen. Op. 199-021. If a student does not raise enough money through tax credit donations and cannot otherwise afford to participate in an extracurricular activity, the student's principal must be authorized to waive all or part of the fee. *In practice, this means the principal must find another funding source to pay for the student's activity fee. For example, the school's site council may choose to use undesignated tax credit donations to pay for the activity fees of students for whom payment would represent an economic hardship. See A.R.S. § 43-1089.01(E). Best practice is for a site council, at the beginning of the school year, to identify which activity fees it will cover and in what amounts. If a school or district is unable to waive part or all of an activity fee for a student for whom the fee creates an economic hardship, then no fees may be charged for the activity and the activity would no longer be tax credit eligible. See A.R.S. § 15-342(24).*

Any fees charged must be no more than the actual costs of the activity. See A.R.S. § 15-342(24).

PURPOSE FOR PURCHASE: Please state below how this supplements the curriculum of the school.

The purchase of this equipment will supplement the curriculum of the school by providing opportunities after the regular school day to see alternative source materials, movies, video clips, and or presentations.

Administrators /Designee Signature:



REQUEST FOR FUNDS

CATALINA HIGH SCHOOL
SITE COUNCIL

Requester: Sasha Velgos

Program: Student Participation Fees

Vendor: _____

Date of Request: 9-22-22

Amount: \$5,000

Purpose: Provide funds for student participation fees in the 2022-2023 School Year

Votes For 7 Against 0

Approved X Denied _____

Approval:


Principal


Site Council Facilitator

Finance Manager



Vendor:

School: Catalina High School

IS THIS A TAX CREDIT ELIGIBLE EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY

Table with 3 columns: Question, YES, NO. Contains 9 questions regarding activity sponsorship, enrollment, fees, and funding sources.

Alternative Funding Source: Undesignated Tax Credits

- If you answered NO to Questions 1 through 8, then the activity is not tax credit eligible. If you are not certain how to answer any of the above questions, you should consult the school's attorney before offering tax credits for the activity.

IMPORTANT REQUIREMENT

* Must the district waive all or part of an activity fee if it creates an economic hardship for a student? The Governing Board must authorize a principal to waive all or part of an activity fee if it creates an economic hardship for a student.

Any fees charged must be no more than the actual costs of the activity. See A.R.S. § 15-342(24).

PURPOSE FOR PURCHASE: Please state below how this supplements the curriculum of the school. Pay for school participation fees for students who cannot.

Administrators /Designee Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

