

Catalina High School Council

Minutes 2025-2026

Meeting Date 10.24.25 Meeting Location: Catalina Library

Members present	Sasha Velgos, Amy Schull, Dr. Norma Gonzalez, Tamara Nicolosi, Jen O'Dell, Karin Bernal, Elizabeth Keller, Dawn Waggoner, Nancy Stromp, Sabrina Lopez, Daniel Leon
Members absent	Jack Schull-Community, Liz Whitaker-Community
Constituency group represented	Admin, Certified, Classified, Community, Parent, Student

I. Called to order at 3:32pm by Sasha Velgos

II. Approval of Minutes for last meeting

DISCUSSION NOTES	
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
Move to approve – Keller, Second – Tamara Nicolosi, 8-0 yes	

III. Call to the audience

DISCUSSION NOTES	None
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	

IV. Reports

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Principal
DISCUSSION	General: - Monday is the Title I walk-thru with the District - Wednesday is staff PD day- students do not have school 3 student council students presented to the Governing Board meeting on 10/14/25. Because of their presentation the board is moving us up the list for a new track and our field being replaced, and they are going to work on getting our TV monitors fixed and working properly so that we can run our announcements on them. Personnel:

	- Next week we will hold interviews for Athletic Coordinator. 17 people applied and we are interviewing 3 of them. Events: - Thursday, October 30th is our AVID Trunk of Treat from 5-6pm.
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
REPORTS TO REVIEW	Certified
DISCUSSION	Waggoner- - English department is chugging along and having a booth for the Trunk or Treat. - Jane Sult has agreed to be the Department Chair. Odell – - Science is trying to get more students to understand how to do science fair projects. - They are also looking for some more funding to for supplies for the projects and may ask the Foundation for some help. Nicolosi – - ExEd is helping some seniors to look at post-graduation opportunities that will build on their skills and abilities. Bernal – - Mr. Cerulean has been bringing his kids to the Library to water the plants and read, and Ms. Bernal has also been reading to them - The bathrooms in the library still are not working which means we are lacking a decent gender-neutral bathroom for students. - Still issues with the lighting panel and lights not working. October activities include a Bat Count contest and a 3-sentence Horror Story. - A lot of teachers have been bringing students in to check out books. - One teacher has had their students using the green screen room to make videos introducing information about themselves.
CONCLUSIONS	- Ms. Keller has a blanket and tickets to donate to the English department to use as an attendance incentive. - Ms. Keller has some bookmarks to donated to the Library. - Dr. Gonzalez stated that the district is really understaffed and overwhelmed with workorders and is struggling to address them.
ACTION ITEMS	

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Classified
DISCUSSION	ASchull – - In November Success Center will begin collecting items for Thanksgiving food bags and getting a list of those who need it from teachers and staff. - Are giving out food boxes to students and making sure they know what is available. PVNA would like to know what's needed. - Andy Gomez, Custodian who worked here for 30 years, passed away this month. Hopefully we can do something to remember and honor them. Maybe some sort of permanent plaque.
CONCLUSIONS	PVNA would like a flier for the Thanksgiving food bag collection
ACTION ITEMS	

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Student
DISCUSSION	Leon – • Student Council movie night is coming up on 11/14. • Students are not feeling safe on campus. Not because of outside threats but because of bullying and fighting. • Sink faucets in the student bathrooms don't let water run long enough or don't work so it is difficult for students to wash their hands.
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
• Parents asked how students can report bullying and concerns? Is there an anonymous option? - There is a district platform called Awarity where anyone can report a concern and it can be anonymous if you want. Information goes to the district and the Principal. • Are the bathrooms going to get fixed? – Catalina is on a list for restroom renewal but there's no projected date.	

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Parents
DISCUSSION	Lopez – • Students are feeling like they don't have access to counselors or anyone to talk to. The students are wanting someone to talk to when they are having a hard time. They don't feel like the counselors are welcoming or available and that they are not a real resource. Keller- • Softball, Baseball and StuCo are going to host a Talent Show/Event. It will be a fundraiser and is being planned.
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
• A teacher stated that the Counseling Office is often locked and does not allow students in. Is there a way to stagger the counselors taking lunch and making sure someone is always available? • Sam Lopez our RPF is available for students. • A teacher stated that students are asking for a place they can be and hang out and feel comfortable. They are not comfortable coming into a busy office with people constantly walking through.	

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Community
DISCUSSION	Stromp- • PVNA held their annual meeting on 10/17/25 at Catalina. They brought a donation for \$200 to donate for use. • They will also have a booth at Trunk or Treat • PVNA is hosting Halloverde on Halloween. Open to kids in the surrounding community. • PVNA is working on the Catalina Park Revitalization and looking for community and school partners. • They are also still working on the traffic concerns on Pima Street Alumni Foundation (Schull shared on behalf) – • Had their annual meeting on 10/16/25 at Catalina. • They are still available to provide money and resources that are needed
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	

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V. Action Items

ITEM TITLE	Request for Money to purchase a horizontal rolling paper holder – Karin Bernal
DISCUSSION NOTES	Due to space in the workroom and our PT Technology staff now having their office in that area, we are in need of a more accessible and flexible space for butcher paper rolls. The request is for \$800 to purchase the paper holder.
RESOLUTION	
Move to authorize \$800 from Undesignated Tax Credit monies be used to purchase a new horizontal rolling paper holder Move – Waggoner, Second – Keller. 9-0 approve	

ITEM TITLE	Request for Money to purchase 2 rolling coolers – Amy Schull
DISCUSSION NOTES	The student success center and student council are regularly in need of coolers for school events. They are requesting \$500 to purchase 2 rolling coolers in the dark colors so that they do not show dirt as easily.
RESOLUTION	
Move to authorize \$500 from Undesignated Tax Credit monies be used to purchase 2 rolling coolers. Move – Bernal, Second – Odell. 9-0 approve	

ITEM TITLE	Request for Money to purchase a new grass catcher for the Grounds Dept. – Velgos on behalf of Office manager.
DISCUSSION NOTES	Catalina grounds needs a grass catcher that attaches to their mower. They have not had one for years and it is making keeping up the athletic fields difficult. They are having to pick up grass by hand and its leaving the fields uneven. It also makes it difficult to properly feed and seed the fields. The new grass catcher will cost around \$5500 - The team has many questions: - Where will they dispose of the grass clippings? - Would prefer grass clippings are composted not thrown away - Who empties the grass catcher? - How do we guarantee it won't be stolen or disappear to another site? - How old is the mower is will be connected to? What is that mower's life-span? - Are there any less-expensive options? - Can we go back and ask more questions before making a decision?
RESOLUTION	
Move to table this vote until the next meeting. Would like to get answers to the questions first. Move – Odell, Second – Bernal. 9-0 agree to table.	

VI. Submission of items for next agenda.

- Meeting is Thursday, November 20, 2025

VII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:53pm by Sasha Velgos