

Catalina High School Council

Minutes 2025-2026

Meeting Date 11.20.25 Meeting Location: Catalina Library

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

I. Called to order at 3:36pm by Sasha Velgos

II. Approval of Minutes for last meeting

DISCUSSION NOTES	
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
Move to approve – Keller, Second – Nicolosi, 7-0 yes	

III. Call to the audience

DISCUSSION NOTES	None
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	

IV. Reports

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Principal
DISCUSSION	<p>General:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Walk-thru with the state went well and they gave good feedback that was shared with the staff. Catalina was used for the Wednesday PLD and we had over 600 people on campus. We are still waiting for the district to reimburse us for the supplies that were used for that event. Still working on how the TV monitors can be fixed for announcements. Board member Jennifer Ekstrom came to campus on 11/18. She took a tour and was

	<p>very concerned with the safety/lack or security on campus, especially at the entrances. She will address it with the Superintendent.</p> <p>Budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The school was notified that we will have budget cuts for next year. All Title I budgets will have a 6-27% cut. We are waiting to find out how much ours will be. Our Title I budget primarily funds staff. <p>Personnel:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Catalina hired a new Athletic Coordinator – Chelsea Duran. She was the admin assistant for athletics. The parents noted that they are very happy. We have a new PT custodian starting. There is now a vacancy for an Admin Assistant. <p>Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was a Parent Cafecito today and one parent attended to discuss the Letter Grade.
CONCLUSIONS	Question: Did we get a donation from the Carwash event? Yes, we received \$5000 from Mr. Carwash to athletics.
ACTION ITEMS	
REPORTS TO REVIEW	Certified
DISCUSSION	<p>Waggoner-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Dual Credit Students are registered for their class in English. The English Department is working on a Career Unit for January, to go along with school registration for next year. <p>Nicolosi –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some ExEd students are applying to the Transition Programs for the next school year. The students have had interviews and are now waiting for confirmations. <p>Bernal –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The panel of lights in the library are still not working and the aging light panel still needs replaced. The green screen room is being used a lot now. Student council is going to be using it for videos. The Catalina Foundation has donated additional money to help purchase additional equipment. Zach from IT has been helping with the TV monitors and they have developed a work around for updates and will keep working on it. Going to order a \$14 part to try and fix the laminator rather than attempt to replace it.
CONCLUSIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is ELA planning a Literacy Night? Probably in the spring, but Ms. Tester was wanting a holiday themed one.
ACTION ITEMS	

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Classified
DISCUSSION	<p>ASchull –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Success Center received a donation of 30 food bags and 30 giftcards to give out before Thanksgiving from the PVNA. We also received other food bag and giftcard donations to give out. We had about 40 students recommended to receive them.
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Student
DISCUSSION	None
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Parents
DISCUSSION	<p>Lopez –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can individuals volunteer to come and fix something at the school, even if they don't work here? (Would need to be approved) How can a business donate to the school? (Through the Alumni Foundation because they have the appropriate paperwork and approvals) Are we allowed to start a PTO? (Yes but there are legal and financial hoops to jump through to make is legal) <p>Keller-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chelsea the new Athletic coordinator has already come to practice and met with the girls at softball. She is concerned about their grades and teaching them how to build a portfolio for college recruiting. Parents are happy. There has been a good turnout at softball and the girls are earning cleats and equipment for coming regularly and keeping up their grades.
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Community
DISCUSSION	<p>Alumni Foundation – Liz Whitaker</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Had their annual meeting on 10/16/25 at Catalina. They will be sending out tax credit request to their members
CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	

V. Action Items

ITEM TITLE	Request to move money to Student Council for Graduation support/supplies
DISCUSSION NOTES	Student Council will need to support the activities and decorations associated with graduation in May 2026. Site Council would like to move \$500 to their club fund from Undesignated Tax Credit monies to help out.
RESOLUTION	

Move to authorize \$500 from Undesignated Tax Credit monies be moved to Student Council's account for graduation supplies. Move – Keller, Second – Lopez. 8-0 approve

ITEM TITLE	Request for Money to purchase a new grass catcher for the Grounds Dept. – Velgos on behalf of Office manager.
DISCUSSION NOTES	<p>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</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The team has many questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Where will they dispose of the grass clippings? – They go in a special bin for green debris and it is composted o Who empties the grass catcher? – Grounds team is trained and responsible for emptying o How do we guarantee it won't be stolen or disappear to another site? – We have a secure field house and trust it will not be an issue. o How old is the mower is will be connected to? What is that mower's life-span? – The mower will not be replaced if it breaks down, It will most likely be repaired.
RESOLUTION	
Move to authorize \$5500 from Undesignated Tax Credit monies be used to purchase a new grass catcher. Move – Waggoner, Second – Lopez. 7-1 approve	

ITEM TITLE	
DISCUSSION NOTES	
RESOLUTION	

VI. Submission of items for next agenda.

- Meeting is Thursday, December 11, 2025

VII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:55pm by Sasha Velgos