# **Houston County High School**

A Nationally Recognized School of Excellence

## Houston County System Mission and Vision Statements

Our system mission is to produce high-achieving students. Our system vision is that our system will be world-class.

#### **HCHS Mission and Vision Statements**

Our school mission is to expect excellence in Academics, Athletics, the Arts, and Service. Our school vision is to foster a foundation for life-long learning and personal excellence.

# School Council Meeting Minutes February 14, 2023 7:00 A.M. in the Media Center

- 1. Call to Order
  - a. Meeting called to order by Dr. Douglas Rizer at 7:08am.
  - b. Members present: Dr. Douglas Rizer, Trish Peters, Vicki Renteria-Silva, Crina Brock, April Bragg and Etolia Van Buskirk.
- 2. Inspiration
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approval of Minutes

Dr. Douglas Rizer, Principal

- a. Motion to Approve-Vickie Renteria-Silva
- b. Second- Etolia Van Buskirk
- 5. Approval of Agenda

Dr. Douglas Rizer

- a. Motion to Approve Trish Peters
- b. Second Vickie Renteria-Silva
- 6. Recognition of Visitors

Dr. Douglas Rizer

- a. Visitors Recognized
  - i. None present.
- 7. Reports from Council Members

Dr. Douglas Rizer

a. Theater took over the Ms. HOCO Pageant and has added the talent category back. There have been 13 participants. Theater is also enhancing the quality of character through a new scoring rubric in an effort to find a more well-rounded person. Participants have

been very happy with these changes. The pageant has been moved to 3/10/23 7:00pm due to the Dogwood pageant being that Saturday.

Reported by April Bragg.

#### 8. Old Business

- a. PBIS with Cassie Ingram
- b. Athletics Update with Jason Brett
- c. Upcoming MAPS Assessments
- d. AP 5's
- e. Letter about marque
- f. End of semester procedures

#### 9. New Business

a. Announcement of Principal

Dr. Douglas Rizer

- i. The new HCHS principal will be announced at today's Board Meeting as well as at the school faculty meeting.
- ii. Dr. Rizer would like the new principal to do the hiring of new teachers in order to have some control over his/her team.

#### b. Winter MAPS Scores

Dr. Douglas Rizer

i. Achievement scores were good in MAPS Assessments results, but growth was not. An example of this is a 9<sup>th</sup> grade student that has strong grades having no incentive to do well on the MAPS Assessment. This is a "will problem, not a skill problem". In the future incentives will be offered to encourage students to work hard on the MAPS Assessments even if it does not benefit their grades.

#### c. Tardy Party

Dr. Douglas Rizer

i. The Tardy Party will be 3/17/23. Students with no office referrals and 2 or less tardies will be able to attend. HCHS will be on an Afternoon Activity Bell Schedule that day for this. The date was chosen in order to be halfway through the semester.

#### d. Teacher Recruitment Fair

i. Recently there was a "Mix & Mingle" opportunity for teachers that are looking for positions. The turn out was not strong making administrators worry there will not be a large number at the Recruitment Fair.

## e. Digital Learning Day

i. Digital Learning Day is Tuesday, 2/21/23. Content areas are split so students do not get work from all 7 classes and get overwhelmed. It is for remediation, intervention and enrichment. It is not a day for busy work. The purpose of the day is for students to learn but also an opportunity for teachers to plan without the need of substitute teachers.

### f. Athletic Updates

- i. HCHS dropped a few points in the All Sports Trophy competition.
- ii. Track is going strong.
- iii. Baseball is looking really good and expected to compete at the state level. The team dominated Lowndes County yesterday.
- iv. A lot of the Girls Soccer Team from last year graduated so this is a rebuilding year.
- v. Girls and Boys Basketball teams will compete in order to go to region in a tournament today.

# g. Next Meeting

- i. Next meeting will be 4/11/23 at 7:00am. The new principal will be present.
- ii. Elections will be held and managed by the new principal.

#### 10. Adjournment

a. Meeting adjourned at 7:26am by Dr. Douglas Rizer.