

Town Meeting

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Precursors - none

Announcements -none

Consent Items - none

Discussions

- The chair (Bennett) said that for this Town Meeting [held in the gym in a special after-lunch time slot] we would maintain a speakers' line rather than a speakers' list.
- Casey and the chair brought the meeting's attention to the allocation chart being shown and briefly explained what had been discussed and proposed at last week's meeting. Mark Dodge then said that the science department was reducing its requested increase from .7 to .4, as they had decided to not open up an environmental science AP class at this time.
- Paul said that with science's reduction, the difference remaining was .15. He asked a direct question of Frank and Casey: could the school request/expect an increase of .15 if necessary? Frank answered that in all probability we would, in fact, be getting an additional .2 positions.

Motions

- Paul made a motion that was, he said, based on his 15 years of teaching at HB, his experience during that time with students in every grade, and his TA experience in middle school and high school, to pass the allocation proposal, as it stood, in its entirety. The **motion passed** almost unanimously.

Casey then explained what Paul's motion had succeeded in approving for next year:

- o 1 additional biology block
- o 1 advanced computer science block
- o 1 additional Spanish block
- o a half-day HILT assistant
- o a .4 academic activities' coordinator position
- o a reduction in teaching load from 6 to 5 blocks for 6th and 7th grade TAs
- o a one day-a-week increase in outside counselor staffing
- o a reduction in core plus blocks for next year
- o a .15 increase in outside teacher funds

- Paul then made a second motion that the new academic activities' coordinator position be renamed: "the jolly good fellow." The **motion passed**, almost unanimously.

Chair: Bennett Weinschenk

Co-Chair: Jacob Hall

Secretary: Marie Johnson