Stuttgart High School SAC Meeting Agenda

Date: 11 March 2026 **Time:** 1500 **Location:** High School Library

1. **Welcome and Introductions**
    - Call to Order – 1504 Introductions of all present members:

Dr. Stillman, Mrs. Curry, Michelle Cohen (parent), Jeneria Matthews, Shannon Soto, LeAnna Foerster, Kelly, Deirdre O'Leary; Aaron and Sarah Asinakopoulos, Jessica Chen, Jen Arnold, Henry Arnold (sophomore rep), Tilney Kelley (freshman rep), Amy Hawkes, (IAC committee rep), Dr. Simms, Mr. Pappas and some other parents not identified.

2. **Roll Call –** Introductions of members.
3. **Principal's Report –** Dr. Stillman- introduced himself, his expectations and gave his report.
    - **School Updates** – There was a lull in between sports seasons; however, many activities are still taking place. Dr Stillman reiterated that the school newsletter is published with upcoming events and activities and confirmed that SAC minutes have been and will continue to be published in the newsletter and on the website.
    - **SAC-** Background information on SAC was provided, including which issues get sent to IAC. Recent successes include Universal Pre-K and school lunches. Dr. Stillman expressed satisfaction with SAC attendance.
    - **SAT-** All juniors will take the SAT on May 12. Multiple email updates have been sent.
    - **Football Field-** the field is progressing. While the field differs from traditional appearance, it will improve as it settles, noting that it should be better by next year. Dr. Stillman said that the field is currently playable, the soccer team is already using it, the traction is sufficient, and, according to facilities, the field is ready for use.
    - **Baseball field**- The practice locations will be at Patch and Robinson and transportation will be by bus. Game locations this year are still to be determined. Each sport hosts 2 home games per season with scheduling done at the regional level. Regarding the ongoing field concerns, Dr. Stillman noted that there is currently no contract regarding the fields and that the Garrison is looking into the issue. Updates will follow.
    - **Grading with AI**: While there is still no policy, Dr. Stillman offered Stuttgart as a participant in a new pilot program. The superintendent and other parties are working to address this issue, and the pilot is underway.

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- **Prom-** Dr. Stillman noted that there is no DOWEA-wide prom policy. Stuttgart prom is open to juniors and seniors only, unless invited by an eligible student. Those not allowed to attend prom include people in uniform/active duty, freshman, and any person over the age of 21. Students attending other schools/homeschools must receive approval from the principal. The prom will be held in Boblingen.
- **Bathroom Vandalism-** Toilets have been replaced, handrails have been fixed, and lighting repairs have been made. Dr. Stillman emphasized the importance of positive presentation of school facilities. The school has addressed vandalism after hours by locking off areas that are not open to community organizations. Bathrooms are accessible to students when needed. Dr. Stillman concluded that bathroom use is a necessity and a human right and that he will not prevent bathroom use.
- **Student led Bible study-** FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) has been established.

4. **Old Business**
   - 13 Jan | IAC Meeting SHS - An overview of the IAC was given by Diedre O'Leary, highlighting Mr. Gwinner (Deputy Garrison) addressed the current state of the Hiring Freeze and the effects of manning shortages across the garrison recent weather calls and the potential for future weather calls; not to exceed 4 PM -Ms. Cobb welcomed the new SHS principal, Dr. Stillman
5. **Ongoing Business -** Review of Previous Meeting Action Items
   - Student Representatives- Getting them together to review structure, format, and roles and responsibilities for next year.
   - Secretary announcement- Jessica Chen will be resigning. The SAC Secretary position is currently vacant.
   - Football Field progress and timeline – previously addressed. Reiterated that it is ready for the Spring sports.
   - Baseball field discussion following Principal's report.
     - Parent expressed the need for a regulation baseball field has been an issue for 5-6 years and stated that the current conditions are unsafe and

unsanitary (only one portable restroom), that the baselines are too short and do not meet regulatory standards, that Euros cannot be hosted on the fields and that Ramstein cancelled a game due to for safety/weather conditions.

- Other comments from parents included frustration that an alternative field with the Professional team, the Reds, was secured, progress on addressing the base/high school fields stopped. Further comments included no progress on the request to DPW/CYS to reinstall the nets and batting cages.
- Suggestions included using Patch for both softball and baseball or upgrading Kelley's field (which includes a batting cage).
- Challenges getting students to the actual field for games.

Dr. Stillman stated that pursuing MOUs with the Garrison to formally address the issues, clearly identifying ownership and maintenance responsibilities, is the best strategy. He reiterated the need for an MOU with the Garrison and noted that Brian Pappas is working with them. Dr. Stillman noted that the students reported that the practice facilities are feasible. He requested documentation confirming that the fields are out of regulatory standards, so he could pursue the issue further.

- Ethics/Grading with AI- A parent questioned ethics, expressed concern that teachers were not trained, that students were lazy, and that teachers are relying too much on AI to grade, continuing that some of the tools teachers are using are adversely impacting grading- i.e. Spell-check getting flagged, and highlighting that some teachers aren't familiar with how to employ AI for grading. Other concerns included limited feedback and personal review of tests when they are AI is graded. Finally, they expressed concern about homework scores vs. test scores.
    - Dr. Stillman responded by noting that while teachers are being trained, it is just a start. Regarding grading and feedback, he has addressed the discrepancy between homework and test scores, and he is trying to ensure that teachers are not weaponizing the gradebook, that they are being more thorough in the use of the comment section in grading, and that they are

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returning graded work and feedback, and updating the gradebook in a timely fashion. He stated that the administration is looking at gradebooks /accountability and sent out a recent survey to address it.

Dr Stillman also noted the importance of students and parents engaging in a timely fashion, in the event that they need help.

- School dress code- Dr. Stillman reiterated that he has sent out the dress code policy. However, he notes that parents are instrumental in students adhering to the code- and that it has to be parent enforced. He is mindful of the many, sometimes sensitive issues and is careful with enforcement. The solution requires cooperation from parents. One parent suggested engaging the Garrison to help hold to the standard.
- Track maintenance- the track is getting cleaned. It is a weekly maintenance issue.
- Bathrooms by the gyms are locked, meaning choir, drama, and detention students don't have a bathroom. Response- those bathrooms are intentionally locked during lunch and after school for supervision. However, access is provided when necessary.
- Tuesday off-campus bible study club inquiry – Allowing freshman to attend. Dr. Stillman is considering a means of allowing 9th graders to attend in the 4th quarter, to ease them into off-campus lunch clubs. Coordination with command would be needed.

6. **New Business:**
   - After hours vandalism continues to be addressed by restricting areas that are not open to community organizations.
7. **Staff Concerns:**
8. **Parent and Student Concerns:**
   - Need for a full-time performing arts teacher. Discussion was tabled and Dr. Stillman noted that hiring is based upon student enrollment- and that further concerns be addressed in another forum.

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- Restroom doors. Custodial staff have been contacted- and maintenance will respond.
- Hall pass timing- -5 min is not enough. Dr. Stillman said that the time limit is a guideline, and a general tracking tool, not a strict limit. Alternatives are being discussed including signing in and out, or other means of tracking students.
- Dr. Stillman noted that he values feedback forms for both student body and staff.
- Waiver plan for new graduation requirements were discussed, but no update.
- Driving requirement- To be addressed at the garrison Level.

9. **Future Meeting Dates**
   - Tues, 17 March | Next IAC Meeting at Patch Middle – 30- 1630
   - Wed, 11 March | Spring Break 27 March – 3 April 1500,
   - 8 April SAC 1530 at SHS Library
   - 19 May IAC Patch ES 3:30pm
10. **Meeting Adjournment @** 4:40pm