

SSCS Parent Council Minutes March 22, 2018

1 CALL TO ORDER

President, Jolie Hauck, called the meeting to order at 10:11 am.

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3 INTRODUCTIONS/WELCOME/ROLL CALL

Jolie Hauck, Parent Council president, and Brenda Christensen, Parent Council secretary were present. The following 15 Parent Council members were present: Tami Bevins, Marcy Cambridge, Leslie Cheaney, Ashlie Elmer, Kimberly Murphy, Amanda Mutrux, Erica Oglesby, Nancy Olivares-Pinelo, Liz Ortiz, Rebecca Rodriguez, Madelaine Sanderson, Treenal Sharp, Vicki Uroff, Shandi Virnoche, and Brenda White. The following school and IEM representatives were present: Jodi Jones, Chief Operating Officer for IEM Schools, Cyndi Rachel, Director of Education Support Services, Burke Wallace, Executive Director of Academics, and Laurie Goltara, IEM LCAP Coordinator.

4 HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Members of the public may be heard on any item. A person addressing the Council will be limited to 3 minutes, unless the Site Administrator grants a longer period of time. Comments by members of the public on an item on the agenda will only be allowed during consideration of the item by the Council.

No one addressed the council at that time.

5 DISCUSSION TOPICS

- **Next year's funding**

Jodi Jones announced 2018-19 K-8 funding will be 2,400 and 9-12 will be 3,000.

- **LCAP**

Laurie Goltara reviewed what LCAP was and what services have been covered. This years' survey just closed; results will be analyzed and put together in a presentation for parents and staff in April. The LCAP can be found on our website for more information. Liz Ortiz inquired about tutoring for students. Laurie added Liz's suggestion to the list she's already received.

- **Flexible Field Trips**

Jolie described Flexible Field Trips (FFT) including the need, guidelines, and how to locate them on our website by typing in FFT into the search box on our vendor list. Burke provided a background of how FFTs developed based on parent feedback, legal counsel, our auditor, and reviewing best practices to ensure responsible use of public funds. Marcy inquired about where to find the guidelines. Burke referred parent to ES for specifics. Marcy inquired about parent tickets. Jolie stated Explorer Field Trips is the only vendor that offers one complimentary parent/chaperone ticket per family. Leslie asked if \$250 cap was per student or family. Jolie and Burke clarified it was per student, per event. Madelaine asked if the cap was per student or activity. Jolie stated it was per activity. Families may do 2 activities per semester; theme parks may be done once per semester. Disneyland is 2 days, but it does not have a limit because it's a school led field trip. As long as there's an interest, Jolie will most likely set up another Disneyland trip next year. Parent tickets will be available at a discount through our PayPal site. Madelaine thanked Jolie for putting awesome field trips together. Ashley also appreciated the FFTs; they weren't able to

attend the times set for school organized trips. Jodi Jones asked parents for talking points regarding the value these education programs bring. Liz explained how field trips provided opportunities for her children to discover who they were by exposing and enriching her children's views of what's out there. Her daughter became interested in becoming a psychologist after visiting a science center. Marcy asked if there was someone she could email talking points to. A survey will be sent out for parents to share ideas. Jolie reminded the parent council about a survey that was sent out to gather ideas for future field trips. If parents did not receive the survey, they were encouraged to reach out to their ES.

- **Clubs**

Jolie announced that an E-Sports Club was started in our sister school that could possibly be extended if there was an interest and then opened it up for discussions or questions. Burke reviewed the opportunities we already offer for socialization during group field trips, talked about the down fall to FFTs not being with other kids, vendor classes in group setting, family days, park days. Parent council suggestions included Sac State, summer clubs, high school mobile science labs, virtual clubs (regularly online with part in person for activities), reading clubs, SME to oversee music club/jam session, and community volunteer opportunities that reflect leadership skills for college applications. Burke reviewed parent driven model, increased instructional funding, potential cuts to fund clubs, and suggested starting with National Honor Society and vendors for clubs and community interaction. Parent council response to use funding for student club type vendors was positive.

6 ACTION ITEMS

A) Approval of the October 3, 2017 Minutes

Madelaine moved to approve the October 3, 2017 minutes.

Ashley seconded the motion.

Roll call was taken; approval for the October 3, 2017 minutes passed unanimously.

B) Approval of Governing Board member Treenal Sharp.

Madelaine moved to approve Treenal Sharp for Governing Board.

Liz seconded the motion.

Roll call was taken; approval for the October 3, 2017 minutes passed unanimously.

7 FUTURE MEETING AGENDA ITEMS

There were no suggestions for future meetings.

8 ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 11:09 am.