

Durbin Creek Elementary School Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes for Tuesday, August 21, 2018
Start 4:00. End: 4:35

Welcome and call to order: Sherri Kuczewski, chairperson.

Introductions: returning SAC members and new attendees

Review May 2018 Minutes: motions made, minutes approved.

Principal's Report: Ms. Fuller shared that today's rainy day dismissal went well. She asked that all parents and teachers encourage families to opt-in to text message 67587 "Yes" to get messages (to learn quickly of last-minute change a to release procedures). We don't enjoy having to do rainy day dismissal, but safety is priority. She explained process for bikers at rainy day dismissal. We have more bikers/walkers this year with the rezoning.

Great first week of school---very smooth. We have a security guard on-site. Hoping to add more SJCSO resource officers in the coming months. We still have the one we share with other nearby schools. Safety and security are our biggest changes. All doors locked, front and back---need a key to get in and out. Recent ½ cent sales tax will help pay for new card readers and buzz-in cameras sometime this year. Large portion of funds are part of a grant program (application required).

A parent asked how volunteers get back in from Space House(*answer: teacher calls front desk*). No one can come past glass doors unless they are approved volunteers. No more "event only" gatherings. Ms. Fuller encouraged parents to email any thoughts on how to best handle.

Next SAC meeting will involve SIP(School Improvement Plan). DCE did great with Math goals last year. 73% of our lowest quartile made learning gains. Goal in math for next year will be 75%. ELA was our lowest score. Science score grew. Our classrooms are full. Previous computer lab classroom is back to one classroom. We have 793 enrollment including VPK. Projecting well over 800 before October. Our smaller size(as compared to other schools) allows for family atmosphere.

We have new staff, including Richard Patey, our security officer. New kindergarten teacher to start after Labor Day. New 5th grade teacher started today.

Ms. Fuller reminded all of her open door policy. Call secretary for appointment or email.

SAC Member responsibilities: Ms. Kuczewski explained SAC funds and how SAC is responsible for using them to support SIP. Explained how/why agendas will come out. SAC member attendance requirements/expectations explained: 2 consecutive absences (for any reason)require removal from SAC membership roster. 5-Star School standards explained by Jan Phillips.

Vote in new members: Christie Ball, Melissa Hatcher, Teresa Padgett, Nicole Franklin, Carey Blumberg, Kerry Sullivan, Rajani Vijayakumar, Ana Lucuti, Tamara Caudill. Motions made, above voted in as new members.

Meeting Days this year: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 4:00, except for January, which will be the 3rd Tuesday.

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 11, 2018. 4:00 p.m.

Members present: Angela Fuller, Jan Phillips, Kristin Efrat, Mike Anderson, Rachel Huches, Sherri Kuczewski, Teri Heath, Terryl Speer, Christie Ball

Members absent: none

Guests: ,Nicole Franklin, Melissa Hatcher, Teresa Padgett, Melanie Wall, Lorrie Cosgrove (District Buddy), Melani Wall, Bonnie Ruckh, Carey Blumberg, Kerry Sullivan, Rajani Vijayakumar, Ana Lucuti, Tamara Caudill, LaVerne Walker (Assistant Principal)