

May 17, 2024

Attendees- Nicole Herrera, Jessica Weiss, Denise LaPlante, Lauren Walker, Jason Leveille, Stephanie Carlson, Abranda Phillips, Sandra Trafton, Anthony Karr

Nominations were held for the new SAC chair and Secretary. Courtney and Sandra are both moving on to Coronado. Courtney asked Lauren Walker if she would take the chair position for next year and she graciously agreed. A vote was held and she was voted in. Some recruiting will have to be done for a new secretary.

The next order of business is that we have Jessica Weiss Executive Director of Engagement for the district. She introduced herself and talked a little about how she was invited to come speak to us by Courtney about our 'family engagement rubric'. Although we are kinda pivoted with all the changes with how the leadership summit is going. And then some concern on if I (Courtney) and all us 8th grade parents do all this work will it be helpful if we all then move on to Coronado? So an open conversation was held on what we as a SAC have learned about Culture and Climate at Holmes? What can be better? What has really improved? Our take away from the experience? Then if you are staying, your observation about the Culture and Climate here at Holmes, so we can gather some themes to build a plan for next year. Jessica invited Nicole Herrera, her listening partner and an excellent conversation facilitator. Nicole introduced herself. We went around the table and introduced ourselves. The question: does Holmes create an inclusive environment? Members talked about their individual experiences with the Culture and Climate. The take away was Holmes' Culture and Climate is doing great. Jessica then asked for some opportunities for growth? More parent voices, How to get parents to a SAC meeting? Tony talked about how he has some work to do on individual outreach with parents. Jessica had some different ways on how we can move forward with that. We do have a continuum on our engagement strategy. Jessica suggested looking for opportunities for this fall.

5E- Tony handed out data and we looked over it as a group. We wanted to look at the parent responses to set a stage for our major improvement strategy work. Tony asked to get a good check from SAC. What we looked at and went over is posted under Culture and Climate perception results. Full 2024 results. The scoring is just teachers and students surveys. Members asked what he is really wanting? Does the data make sense or is there an area that we need to build into the major improvement strategy. Members asked if there was anything Tony saw that was of importance? His response was the trends are very similar, no significant dips or increases. We talked about the increase in welcoming to the school, sharing concerns. Tony talked about how we haven't incorporated major improvement work into parent responses, that the point of we have these results but what do we do next? That's where Jessica comes in with the parent engagement continuum. We continued to go over the data and discussed how all this is good info to share with the Holmes community. Talks about finding out what information parents really want and how often they want it. Tony talked about teacher conferences and how he would like to see a change in that, regular ongoing goal setting, monitoring students ownership of work improvements. (spreading out info to parents, so it's not

just in October). So we will continue to work with Jessica Weiss and frame our work on the continuum of engagement.

Lauren will follow up with Jessica Weiss for the fall.

Tony will work on personal outreach.

Meeting will be held on the 3rd Friday of the month @ 7:30 am