



Desert Mirage High School

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MEETING/ JUNTA DEL CONCILIO ESCOLAR

Meeting ID: 895 1256 8919 ; DMHS Library

Date: 02/07/24

Time: 4:30-5:30pm

I. WELCOME/Bienvenidos

QUORUM ESTABLISHED: 91%

CALL TO ORDER BY PRESIDENT: **AT:** 4:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Elizabeth Sotelo(Principal), Jose Alvarez(Teacher;ZOOM), Israel Piza(President), Janell McDaniel (Teacher), Alanna MacDhubhain (via Zoom), Norma Cruz (Secretary), Ruth Casares (Vice President), Cecilia De La Torre (Parent Community Liaison), Angel Cruz (Student), Rosymar Delgado Ponce (Student), Galilea De La Torre(Via zoom)

APPROVAL OF CURRENT AGENDA *(Action Item):*

Motion for approval: R. Casarez 2nd: N. Cruz Carried: 7 Denied: 0

II. SCHOOL COMMITTEE REPORTS/Informes del comite escolar *(Informative):*

A. PRINCIPALS REPORT/Informe de la directora:

- Sotelo expressed her gratitude to parents in person and Via Zoom for their participation, the turnout was very good. She informed parents that students A-G scores and graduation rate did go up last school year. The parents were also informed that the AC's would be repaired this summer.

B. ELAC/DELAC REPORT/DPAC/Migrant Report:

- Piza reported. ELPAC testing commenced on Feb 1st.
- During the DPAC meeting District officials reported on the importance of filling out the LCAP survey. He did note the lack of participation in the survey from parents in previous years and encouraged all parents to complete it as it is their opportunity to express their concerns and needs for the school district.
- The migrant program was able to take a family trip to the UCR PD Campus and participate in various parent workshops including FAFSA assistance and requirements.

C. PARENT COMMUNITY LIAISON REPORT/Reporte:

- De La Torre reported. She updated the parents on the success of the community resource fair and expressed her gratitude to parents for taking part in the event as community members and organizations. Parents were also able to submit their LCAP questionnaires at the event.
- Parent Financial Aid Night February 13th in the DMHS Library
- The Senior Graduation meeting was rescheduled to February 21st at 5pm in the DMHS Theatre.
- Coffee with the Principal has been rescheduled to February 22nd at 5pm in the DMHS Library.

III. UNFINISHED BUSINESS/Asuntos Inconclusos

IV. NEW BUSINESS/Nuevos Asuntos

A. Review and approve edits below to 2023-2024 SPSA

- SPSA 2.6b to SPSA 2.8b- \$ 2, 000 Reallocation of funds not used to be moved to pay for more student field trips to visit colleges and universities.
- SPSA 1.4b to SPSA 1.2b- \$8,000 Reallocation of funds not used (could not get a guest speaker) to be moved to pay for more PBIS rewards items , agendas, lanyards and other items to motivate students.
- SPSA 2.16b to SPSA 1.9b- \$5000 Reallocation of funds not used to be moved to pay for the link crew team to continue to meet and support freshman students.
- Sotelo explained to new parents what SPSA is and invited parents to come to campus and review a copy of it. Piza followed up by expressing the importance of using SPSA funds. A mother on Zoom asked if it was possible to use SPSA funds to add more shade to the lunch areas, Sotelo explained that SPSA funds were not to be used for aesthetic purposes, and only for reasons that would enhance the schools goals (students and engagement).
- She also explained what a Title One school is and shared to parents that we get most of our funding because 98% of our families are classified as low income.

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B. Review and approve the following:

- 2023-2024 Parent Involvement Policy
- DMHS Parent- Student Compact
- Sotelo read the documents aloud to the parents.

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*Signed by: Israel Piza, Janell Mc Daniel, and Angel Cruz

C. LCAP

- De La Torre emphasized the importance of completing the LCAP survey as it will inform the district on their families academic needs. She let the parents know that copies are available to complete here in the office and have been sent digitally through email and text.

- Piza commented on his mission to have cameras installed on campus to better monitor the school and encouraged parents to also share their needs.

D. 20th Anniversary Celebration

- Sotelo announced that we will be 20 years as a school this year and will be having a grand celebration. The entire community will be invited including the first ever principals, valedictorians, school board and Torres Martinez Tribe as they were huge contributors to the development of this school.

- Parents who participate will receive a commemorative pin to mark the occasion.

- Parent Rafael Delgado Ponce commented on his memories of the school being built and never imagined that his students would be able to attend such a new school.

E. Booster Club Updates

- Cecilia reported that we have around \$360 collected as of now, which means we can now pay for Booster USA membership to help us create an LLC and apply for 501 (c)3 non-profit status. Cecilia stressed that if we have a booster club, parents can now create their own fundraisers to pay for items students need that the school can't always pay for. She let them know that the next step would be to create bylaws and a mission/vision statement for the group. A meeting will be scheduled prior to the end of the month.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT/Comentario publico -

- Re Tutoring: A zoom parent asked re: tutoring. Cecilia informed that some teachers stay after school to assist with homework and they are welcome to attend. She also explained that all students have access to tutor.com and can create an account to receive virtual tutoring.

- Re: Senior Meetings, a mother on Zoom had grievances about the lack of communication re:senior events. Sotelo responded by ensuring the parent that calls and parent square post were sent to promote both the in person and zoom meetings offered to parents where that information was shared and informed her that students were notified on campus as well. She let the mother know that if she needed proof and wanted to review contact information, she would be attended to in the office.

- Ms. Mariana Roman expressed the need for more guidance when it comes to scholarship applications for students. Sotelo did make parents aware that the school now has a college and career center where that can meet with Ms. [Melissa Montez](#) for any assistance with college and career readiness.

- Re: Financial Aid, A parent on Zoom expressed that she has attended both the Saturday event and come in person during school hours for assistance, however she has not been able to complete the form due to a glitch in the FAFSA website which will not allow her husband to verify state residency. She asked what she should do. Sotelo asked her to keep trying and attending. Cecilia interjected and let the parent know to

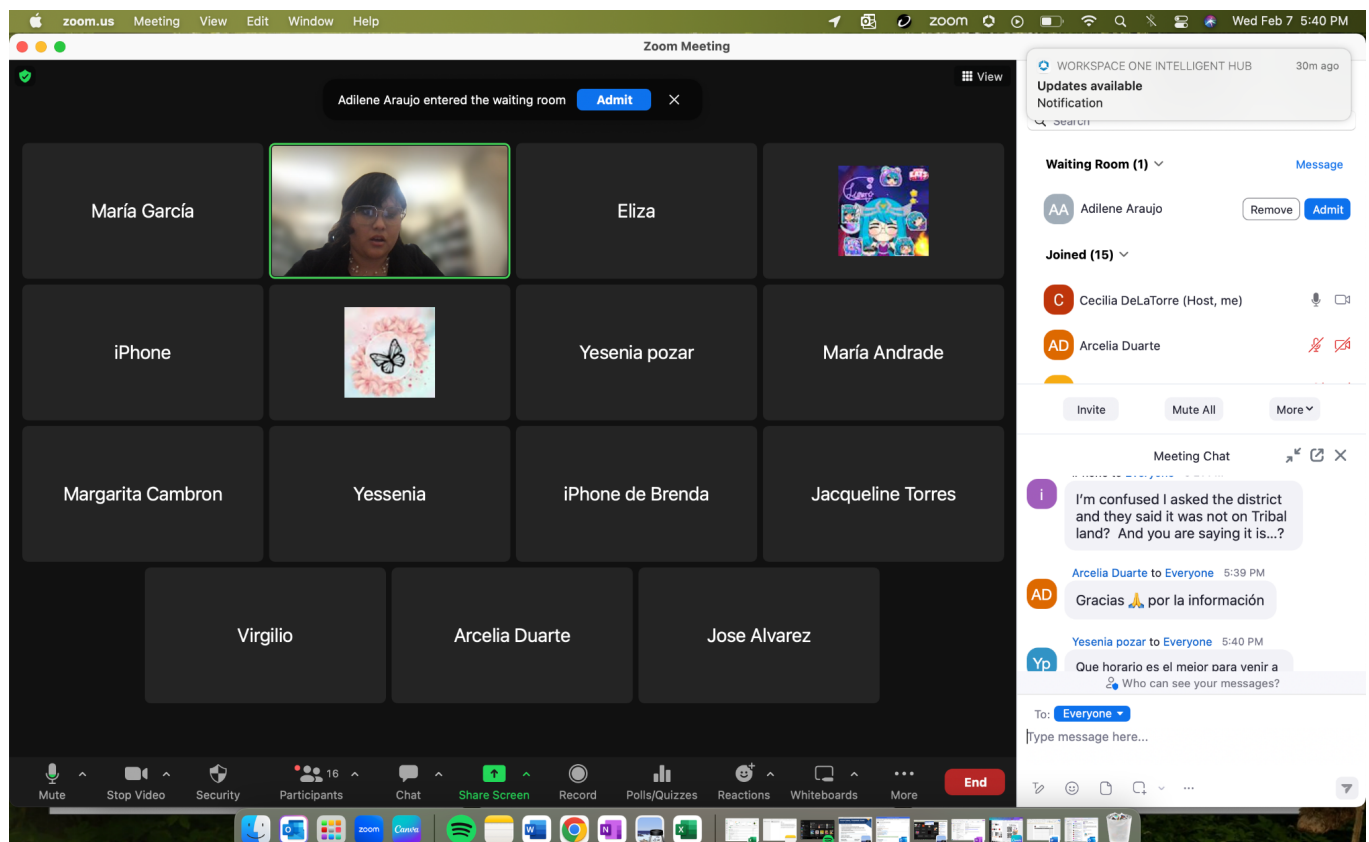
call and email FAFSA of the issue, emphasizing that if enough parents report the issues, they'll be forced to resolve it in a more timely manner. She also reassured the mother that this has not only been happening to her but also to many other of our parents.

VI. ADJOURNMENT/Aplazamiento (Action Item)-

ADJOURNED BY/Aplazada por: Piza NEXT MEETING/Proxima junta (Hybrid): 3-20-24

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End: 5:46 p.m.



ZOOM Chat:

16:55:10 From iPhone to Everyone:

The CABA conference is at the same time?

16:57:01 From 🍷 Janet 🍷 to Everyone:

Es importante que agan LCAP para todos sus estudiantes. Incluyendo los mas chicos

16:58:11 From Magdalena's iPhone7608996775 to Everyone:

Hola son la mama de efrain isiera saver si el powder quedarse depues de escuela para que el tenga aducida con sus tarea o ya no hay depues de escuela

17:02:13 From Yessenia to Everyone:

Soy Yesenia gracias mamá de Keyla Araujo también me gustaría esa ayuda para ella si me puede llamar también al 4423245189 Gracias

17:02:53 From Magdalena's iPhone7608996775 to Everyone:

Es que es difícil para mi hijo para aser su tarea como digo que sellama el maestro que se queda para poder ayuda que solito tendría que aplicación para que se quede mi hijo efrain

17:19:08 From Eliza to Everyone:



17:21:57 From iPhone to Everyone:

I'm confused I asked the district and they said it was not on Tribal land? And you are saying it is...?

17:39:58 From Arcelia Duarte to Everyone:

Gracias 🙏 por la información

17:40:17 From Yesenia pozar to Everyone:

Que horario es el mejor para venir a yendar la encuesta

17:41:25 From Margarita Cambron to Everyone:

Muchas gracias portodo que todos tengan una buena tarde 🙏

17:41:33 From Jacqueline Torres to Everyone:

Muchas gracias por toda la información