

San Jose Charter Academy
School Site Council Minutes #4

Members:

Lizette Moses, Rachelle Touzard, Arturo Olivas, David Alonzo, Lisa Gonzales
 Erin Shiroma, Donna Hale, Monica Velarde, Matty Cuevas Misty Farhan

February 24th, 2021

Welcome	Mrs. Hale welcomed everyone. Members not in attendance: Lisa Gonzales, Lizette Moises. Special Guest: Dr. Denise Patton
January, 2021 Minutes Review & Approval	Reviewed minutes from the January 20 st , 2021 meeting. Mrs. Shiroma mentioned that AB1246 was missing the 4 and asked that it be added. No other changes were noted. Motion was made to approve the minutes by Mrs. Farhan, Seconded by Mrs. Cuevas. Aye: 7; Noes 0 Minutes Passed.
Safety Plan Review and Approval	Mrs. Hale discussed that updates made to the School Safety Plan. Yearly Updated to reflect changes to personnel and movement • Disaster Preparedness Emergency Command System • Emergency Evacuation Maps/Campus Maps • Dress Code • Egress/Ingress; Traffic Flow Drop Off/Pick Up Maps • Morning/Afternoon Duty Map/Assignments/Locations/Guidelines for Duty Positions • Regular/Rainy-Excessive Heat/Min. Day Lunch Schedules • Lunch Playground Guidelines/Noon Aide Positions and Guidelines for positions. • LACOE School Violence Reduction Program She also shared the new Covid-19 materials that were added to the plan. New Sections Added to address Covid-19 school related services and supports: • Covid-19 Prevention Program (Emailed to you prior) • 2021 Covid-19 School Guidance Checklist (Emailed to you prior) • SJCA Temporary Telework Policy • SJCA Employee Symptom Screener • Request for Emergency Paid Sick Leave/FMLA Forms/Employee Rights • SJCA Injury/Illness Prevention Plan (Charter SAFE) • SJCA School Reopening Plan/Protocol/SJCA Hybrid Work Policy • County of Public Health Covid-19 Exposure Investigation Worksheet • Stronger Together: Guidebook for the Safe Reopening of California's Public Schools (CDE June 2020) • County of Public Health Reopening Protocols for K-12 Schools: Appendix T1 dated 2.18.21 Mrs. Hale asked if there were any comments or questions. Mr. Alonzo clarified that the Safety Plan is housed in the front office for anyone who would like to review it

	and Mrs.Hale confirmed that. Motion was made to approve the School Safety Plan by Mrs. Cuevas, Seconded by Ms. Velarde. Aye: 7; Noes 0 Next Steps: Safety Plan must be reviewed by local law enforcement and fire department personnel.
School Reopening Plan Update	Mrs. Hale shared: • Discussions began with Staff, Parents, PTO & Board throughout January & February • Parent/Grade Level Townhall Meetings – Week of February 16th through week of February 22nd. • Special Education cohorts came back February 16th • Currently, not looking to open for Hybrid until August, 2021 unless mandated by state. Mrs. Shiroma discussed that the state has given local LEA's the final say in whether we are ready to open in a Hybrid setting. Dr. Patton discussed the consideration that if we opened up on April 13th that would only mean 16 actual days each hybrid group would be on campus. She further discussed the social-emotional impact coming back or not has on our students. AB86 would provide funding for reopening but also would require weekly testing of all personnel and students; the additional paraprofessionals needed to assist in the day to day of Hybrid and the lack of qualified paraprofessionals; and that it would require all the schools that had previously opened to close until they could reopen under the new requirements of AB86. Mr. Alonzo inquired about having a full-time person on staff to monitor the implementation of the safety protocols and to make sure staff, students, and other personnel are following the protocols put in place. Mrs. Shiroma shared that the Los Angeles County Depart. Of Health have made it a mandate to come review each and every school that opens to make sure the protocols are being implemented effectively. Mrs. Farhan inquired about the possibility of having PE, Art, Music and other programs back in the Fall. Mrs. Shiroma shared that in order for that to happen we would have to be in the Orange Tier and they would have to lift the 6 feet distance requirement. Mrs. Velarde inquired about the non-certificated staff that was mentioned needing to be hired and where they would apply. Mrs. Shiroma shared they would apply through Ed Join but that the job has not yet been posted pending a more firm return date for Hybrid. Mrs. Touzard asked about the response from families about returning in August and the impact being out of school for this long will have on our students' social emotional well-being and the trauma many may experience coming back onto campus. She also shared that she thought the Foothill Families sessions and resources

	were great help for parents. Mrs. Shiroma shared that we are looking at extending more help opportunities from Foothill Families for both parents and staff and more info will be coming as they become available.
Dr. Patton Comments/ Questions	At last month's meeting, Mr. Olivas expressed his feelings related to Dr. Patton's role and the events that have transpired recently with our charter renewal and events that took place. Mr. Olivas asked if Dr. Patton could attend our next meeting to discuss this further. Dr. Patton discussed the process the school has been going through as a result of the parent letter that discussed a social media post and the feelings of systemic oppression here at the school. Both Mr. Olivas and Mr. Alonzo expressed concerns that they had not heard anything from the school administration about the events/letter/recent social media postings, etc. and that they feel that being part of School Site Council they have the obligation to support the school and by not being aware or informed they were unable to help move the narrative in a more positive direction. They both expressed a desire to work together to move the school forward but would like to be included and informed of such events to be better equipped to do so. Mrs. Touzard shared that she has been witness to many schools in LA County and wanted to say that SJCA is doing a great job at addressing racism, systemic oppression, etc. and that while there is definitely more work to do she is proud of the efforts to educate our staff, parents, and students on this very challenging topic.

Topics for Next Meeting:

School Single Plan Review