

PAC Meeting

Date: November 19, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

MDUSD Representatives:

- Samantha Allen
 - Dr. Adam Clark
 - Melanie Koslow
 - Debra Mason
 - Linda Mayo
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Welcome and Introductions

Samantha Allen opened the PAC meeting, welcomed attendees, and invited introductions. She reviewed the goals and role of the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC), highlighting its support in implementing and monitoring district programs and activities. She also summarized the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) goals.

PAC meetings provide opportunities to connect with District departments, hear updates from Dr. Clark, and engage in discussions on topics impacting MDUSD.

District Updates – Dr. Adam Clark

You Make a Difference Awards

- On November 7, the CAC hosted the *You Make a Difference Awards Ceremony* at Concord High School.
- Nineteen individuals, nominated by district staff, parents, or students, were recognized for their exceptional dedication and impact. The event highlighted the invaluable contributions of classroom assistants, teachers, and translation services staff.
- Linda Mayo, a Board Trustee, was honored for her ongoing commitment to the CAC.

Student Spotlight

- Angie Yao, a junior at Northgate High School, is leading initiatives in STEM education, including a collaboration with UC Santa Barbara and founding a Women in STEM club. Her website, *Her STEM Space*, promotes access to STEM education for girls and boasts over 2,000 members internationally.

K-8 Math Adoption Materials

- Curriculum updates remain a priority, with a focus on K-8 math materials currently under review. These updates follow previous revisions in multilingual education, science, and social studies.

Career Pathway Partnerships

- The District's partnership with United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices Local 342 provides middle school students exposure to careers in welding, plumbing, and other trades. This initiative is part of MDUSD's College and Career readiness efforts.

Bond Oversight Committee

- Dr. Clark addressed recent misinformation regarding the District's bond oversight committee and HVAC project contracts. He emphasized transparency, referencing a public meeting held to clarify concerns. The District aims to ensure accurate information as it seeks community support for future bond measures.
- We will be going for a bond in the future and it is important that we provide you with accurate information.

Negotiations Transparency

- Upcoming negotiations with teachers will be accompanied by regular updates on the District's website, providing transparent and factual information.

Standardized Testing Data

- Recent testing data sparked valuable discussions among stakeholders. Dr. Clark encouraged parents to engage with teachers and principals about student performance. Some elementary schools were recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* for their excellence, with notable rankings among 5,856 California schools.

Equity and Excellence

- Dr. Clark reiterated the District's commitment to ensuring consistent excellence across all schools and classrooms. Highlighting diverse success stories, he stressed the importance of aligning school environments with the needs and aspirations of each student and family.

Ed Foundation Support

- The Ed Foundation organized a field trip for students to attend a symphony performance at the Leshner Center in Walnut Creek, earning praise for their engagement and behavior.
 - A big "Thank you" to the Ed. Foundation for their support of our students.
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Department of Maintenance, Operations, and Facilities

Presenter: Melanie Koslow, Director

Overview

- Melanie Koslow provided an update on departmental improvements aligned with LCAP goals, focusing on customer service, transparency, and prioritization of essential maintenance tasks.

Key Divisions and Updates

1. Maintenance Division

- Handles emergency, reactive, and preventive maintenance tasks. Recent staffing increases have improved response times for issues such as HVAC, plumbing, and lighting.
- We are working to address the concerns that have been brought to our attention related to the centralized programming of our HVAC systems. We are working with staff to remedy the issues and make sure all classrooms and learning spaces are at a comfortable temperature.
- Focus areas include addressing deficiencies identified through FIT assessments and prioritizing critical needs over aesthetic projects.
- The Facility Inspection Tool (FIT) has been developed by the Office of Public School Construction to determine if a school facility is in “good repair” as defined by Education Code (EC) Section 17002(d)(1) and to rate the facility pursuant to EC Section 17002(d)(2).

2. Work Orders

- Emergency work orders (e.g., HVAC, plumbing, vandalism) are processed through site administrators or office managers. Routine work orders are scheduled by priority.

3. Custodial Operations

- A new custodial master plan is being implemented to improve services. Plans include time audits, staffing assessments, and collaboration with custodial staff and unions.

4. Security Operations

- The security team is accessible via the District office for reporting after-hours activity on campuses.
- If you see an issue at a site that needs to be reported call extension X3836

5. Landscape Division

- A new manager is enhancing campus landscaping through comprehensive service schedules. Efforts include improved communication with schools and neighboring communities.

6. Pest Management

- The District is issuing RFPs for updated pest management services for both interior and exterior needs.

7. Workplace Safety

- Initiatives include implementing a district-wide walk-off mat plan to ensure safety during rainy seasons and addressing workplace accommodation requests.
 - 8. Special Projects**
 - Collaborative efforts support school site improvement projects while adhering to union agreements.
 - 9. Long-Term Planning**
 - Measure J Bond funds have supported infrastructure upgrades. Measure J projects included Led lighting, HVAC upgrades, elementary modernization, middle school kitchen updates, and Promethean Board deployment.
 - Planning continues for future projects to address evolving facility needs.
 - 10. Facility Use Permits**
 - Activities outside regular school hours require use permits, which are managed by the M&O permits office.
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Adjournment The meeting concluded with an invitation for further questions and feedback. PAC members were thanked for their ongoing involvement and contributions.

Future Meeting Dates:

- December 17, 2024
- January 28, 2025
- February 25, 2025
- March 25, 2025
- April 22, 2025
- May 27, 2025