



El Puente School Site Council

Thursday, August 14th, 2024 at 2:15pm
Posted August 7th, 2024
Room E-7 or eps.is/E7

AGENDA

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:26pm by Mr. Atchley.

2.0 Roll Call

The following members were present: Mr. Ernesto Garcia (Principal); Mr. Rod Atchley (Teacher); Ms. Cecilia Gomez (Teacher); Mr. Hector Villalobos (Staff); Mr. David Gross (Teacher); Ms. Gracie Estrada (Teacher); Ms. Lily Vega (Staff); and Ms. Sharron Barajas (Parent).

The following were also in attendance: Ms. Diana Hagerty (Teacher); Ms. Bianca Archuleta (Staff); Ms. Mariella Meza (Staff); and Shia Rodriguez (student).

Absent: Ms. Deborah Rocchild (Teacher) and Nathalie Medina (student).

A quorum was achieved.

3.0 Changes to Agenda

Mr. Garcia proposed to add item 7.3 Equity Multiplier Grant.

Ms. Gomez moved to add item 7.3 Equity Multiplier Grant and was seconded by Ms. Hagerty.

The final vote was:

Yes: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

4.0 Reading and Approval of [May Minutes](#)

May Minutes were previously sent and reviewed by members.

Ms. Gomez moved to approve the May minutes and was seconded by Mr. Villalobos.

The final vote was:

Yes: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

5.0 Public Comment

Shia (student) suggested that students should have access to a vending machine that offers healthy snacks at a reasonable price. Students should also be offered better seating by the kiosk as the current seating can be uncomfortable.

6.0 Reports

6.1 ELAC Report

The first ELAC meeting will be held August 28, 2024. This year the ELAC meetings will be held on the last Wednesdays of the month.

Ms. Estrada also informed that Reclassification of students will occur during the first semester until January.

6.2 Student Report

No student was present.

6.3 Parent Report

Ms. Barajas reported that the Back to School Night was a success and is thrilled for this new year.

6.4 Staff Report

Mr. Gross announced he is pleased with the new Math curriculum and has received positive feedback from students.

Similarly, Ms. Gomez reported that a new Spanish curriculum was started by students and has been positively received by non-native speakers. However, the curriculum for native speakers is geared towards AP Spanish and will need to be modified to meet students at their current academic level.

Ms. Hagerty expressed gratitude for the site purchase of Flocabulary to prep HiSet students on various topics contained in the subject exams.

Mr. Villalobos enthusiastically shared the purchase of a brand new van made possible by the Equity Grant. This will greatly assist in completing home visits without borrowing a van from another department. This van will also be used in the case if a student misses the school bus and for field trips. Overall, it will allow for creative use at El Puente School.

Ms. Estrada briefly discussed that the writing initiative is capturing students' interest. This was also concurred by Ms. Hagerty who stated students are enjoying the use of a graphic organizer.

6.5 Administration Report

Mr. Garcia mentioned that the purchase of the van was very important as El Puente is such a personalized school. In conjunction with Mr. Villalobos, it was suggested that the van can enhance field trips when used along with a charter bus by allowing for the purchase of lunches. The van can be used to send a driver to buy items such as pizza, which is not feasible with a charter bus.

7.0 New Business

7.1 Election of Officers and Results

The election of officers was not held.

7.2 Review and Approve Budget Modifications

Mr. Garcia presented the SPSA to display the transparency of the budget enclosing how each object code is linked with an SPSA goal. Mr. Garcia explained that currently object code 4300 Materials and Supplies is tied to SPSA Goal 1.6 Materials and Supplies with a balance of \$13,481. Mr. Garcia proposed to allocate \$1,500 of the current balance to Goal 3.1 to enable El Puente School to provide students with snacks at the Wellness Center.

Funding Source	Object	Goal
Title I	4300 \$13,481	1.6 Materials and Supplies \$11,981 3.1 Wellness Center Snacks \$1,500

The motion to approve the move of \$1,500 from Goal 1.6 to 3.1 was made by Mr. Villalobos and seconded by Mr. Gross.

The final vote was:

Yes: 6
 No: 0
 Abstain: 0

7.3 Equity Multiplier Grant

Although the Equity Multiplier Grant does not require SPSA approval, Mr. Garcia provided an overview informing that there are thirteen actions some of which need modification as the current wording is difficult to achieve. For example, if the current Intervention Clerk is unable to move from a 6 hour position to an 8 hour position, monies can be used on support staff. Thus, Mr. Garcia suggested actions be adjusted to ensure funds are directed towards initiatives that provide the greatest return for students. It was proposed by Mr. Garcia to modify four actions to better align expenditures with strategic objects to ensure every dollar spent supports long term goals. Below are the modifications in red.

Action #	Title	Description	Total Funds
5.4	Intervention Clerk	To enhance access to academic intervention support, services offered and resources available for students, El Puente School will expand the current intervention clerk position from 6 hours to 8 hours or increase the availability of the office staff.	\$15,000
5.7	After School Programming	SUHSD will partner with an outside agency or EPS staff to offer after-school programming, enrichment field trips, tutors, PBIS recognitions and school activities aimed at enhancing student engagement, improving school culture, and providing academic enrichment.	\$100,000
5.8	Elective Extra Periods	In order to augment elective offerings at El Puente School, SUHSD will fund two additional period contracts or offer EWAs to staff.	\$46,000
5.9	After-School & PBIS Materials and Supplies	SUHSD will enhance the capacity and quality of after-school programming, enrichment field trips, tutors, PBIS recognitions and school activities by purchasing materials and supplies for students at El Puente School.	\$10,000

The motion to affirm the rewording was made by Ms. Archuleta and Ms. Estrada seconded.

The final vote was:

Yes: 6
 No: 0

Abstain: 0

8.0 Announcements

The Leadership Club will be hosting a Scavenger Hunt on Wednesday, August 21st and an Ice Cream Social August 28th. Ms. Gomez asked if we may continue to support our students outside of the classrooms during lunch time. There will also be a field trip to the Hamlet Play that coincides with a book seniors read in Dr. White's class.

9.0 Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Gomez and seconded by Mr. Atchley. Motion was approved with the following vote:

The final vote was:

Yes: 6

No: 0

Abstain: 0

SSC President: _____

Principal: _____

Paul Atchley
Eric V. [Signature]

