

Equestrian Trails Elementary School
Student Advisory Council (SAC) Minutes

August 27, 2025

1. Meeting called to order at 8:08 am by Barbara Mourad.
2. Adoption of Agenda – approved by Frasier & Carroll.
3. New Business:
 - a. Shared general info about SAC and the responsibilities of members. SAC unanimously approved the reelection of SAC Chairperson (Barbara Mourad) and recording secretary (Jill Bennett).
 - b. Coach Asch requested a stipend of up to \$500 to cover travel and expenses for the annual PE conference, which focuses on implementing STEM into physical education. This was unanimously approved.
 - c. Beginning of school year info:
 - i. First curriculum night was a success, prepared for the second night this evening.
 - ii. Testing has begun, and data will be used to establish a baseline for student growth.
 - d. Uniform proposal for voting – vote to allow school-appropriate denim every day of the week (current dress code allows for Fridays only). Proposal passed with 5 voters opposed. This decision will be reassessed at the end of the school year when the dress code is reviewed.
 - e. School Improvement Plan: There are two areas of improvement needed - science dropped 8 points, for which Ms Manning proposed PLCs for science monitoring, Mrs Esopakis will spearhead. ETES also saw an average decrease of 8 points among the lowest 25% in ELA. Ms Manning will target the bottom 30% to boost scores. The school improvement plan was unanimously approved.
 - f. Smore Newsletters & Generation Genius – Ms Manning would like \$650 of the SAC budget. \$150 will go toward the Smore newsletter system to send ETES families monthly informational emails, \$500 is for annual use of the Generation Genius system, which offers science support for K-5. (GG is part of the school improvement plan to boost science scores.) This was unanimously approved.
4. Next meeting will be on October 7th at 8:05 am.
5. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 am.