



MINUTES

**James B. McMillan Elementary School
School Organizational Team Meeting
Thursday, December 12, 2024
4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

School Organizational Team Members present:

Cheri Griggs	Debra Kramer
Vanessa Mena	Luis Perez
Sabrina Torres	

School Organizational Team Members absent:

Robyn Scheib	Nikki Longmore, principal
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Non-Voting Members present:

Christina Bass, Assistant Principal
Gerold Petrosky, Assistant Principal

Minutes from the meetings held on November 14, 2024 were approved by a majority of the SOT team with no changes and posted to the school website.

OLD BUSINESS

2.1 Chronic absenteeism update. We are currently sitting at 31%. At our last SOT, we were at 23%, so there have been more absences lately. Unfortunately, entering the holiday season, we seem to have an increase in absences and are projecting it to reach 35% in February before it slowly and steadily declines through the end of the year. Our attendance officer will continue to do home visits to families with higher absenteeism.

4.1 Mrs. Griggs reported that dismissal procedures for special ed preK has been adjusted so that the students are not being run over by the bigger kids. Our school has been written up by the health department for our rusty metal basketball nets the last few years. Mr. Petrosky cut them down, and they will be replaced by nylon nets. Additionally, the height will be lowered from 10' to 8'. Admin shared that our internal cameras have been upgraded to provide greater clarity.

NEW BUSINESS

1.2 One parent member, Keyania Moye, has decided to not join our SOT after the election. Our Family Liaison has been reaching out to parents who have expressed an interest in being more involved with our school. Then we will hold another election for our 3rd parent position.

3.1 SOT Training Links. We discussed the podcast training videos from CCEA for all members of SOT. We learned that the CCSD Family Engagement Department would provide translation services for our meetings, so Mrs. Griggs will call them to see if these services will be available for virtual meetings and report back next month.

PUBLIC COMMENTS NONE

Meeting was adjourned at 4:23PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday January 9, 2025. The meeting link will be posted on ClassDojo and on the school website.