

JSM SIC Meeting October 29th, 2025 at 4:30pm

Attendees: Beth Dillenkoffer, Anna Claire Day, Saurikhane Konekeo, Cara Ernst, Todd Jenkins, Joni Nelson, Amanda Bagdonas, Gwendolyn Dillings

The meeting opens with introductions and "when did you first feel like an adult?"

Review of last meeting:

- review of 25-26 goals: math, chronic absenteeism, returning to play-based childhood

Review of **Math Night**

- consensus is that it was well-received
- continue/improve math games going home with students

Chronic absenteeism debunked: now available on website

- discussion of more frequent updates on chronic absenteeism and tips on how to decrease it
- updates/reminders posted in different mediums (website, Facebook, Sunday message, social media etc)
- information could be about absenteeism or other goals or topics (play based childhood, truancy etc)
- how to simplify the messages

Coffee with Counselor - next one is 10/30/25 (A.I. Literacy) in Spanish Room at 7:30

Parent/Student Montessori Interview (students take home a questionnaire to ask their parents)

- goal of the interview: remind parents JSM is Montessori, get parents thinking/wondering about the school, perhaps get feedback from parents
- format: questionnaire on the front, parent feedback on the back
- timing? before or after Montessori Family Night? consensus is after MFN
- Do you want to be contacted? prompt for potential follow-up
- discussion of a feedback window on the website
- review of SIC members and membership composition (Ms. Beth and Anna Claire will review)
- discussion of book club meeting for The Anxious Generation and how it was well attended and engaging

Open Action Items

- idea of students teaching parents at Montessori Family Night or a Zoom option / 2nd Math Night? (Beth)
- revisit Screenagers viewings, how to maximize exposure to the movie (can it be screened via Zoom or online?) (Beth)
- review of SIC members and membership composition (Ms. Beth and Anna Claire)
- create a family survey for communications to go on the back of the Montessori parent interview (AC and Joni)
- collaborate on ideas of how to communicate topics to parents possibly via videos, not just text (AC and Joni)
- clean up website / where the DeBunking series is posted (AC and Rosie)
- work with Shannon on more math games to email out to parents (AC)
- "free range challenge" each quarter in Sunday Message (Beth)