El Puente School Site Council

Thursday, April 17th, 2026 at 2:15pm
Posted March 19th, 2026
Room E-7 or eps.is/E7

Minutes

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:21pm by Mr. Atchley.

2.0 Roll Call

The following members were present: Rod Atchley (President); Ernesto Garcia (Principal); Tiffany Ayala-Lara (Vice Principal); Bernice Cabrera Ruiz (Staff); Belquis Pineda (Student); Sharron Barajas (Parent); Graciela Estrada (Teacher); Adriana Morales (Staff).

Online: Guillermo Perez-Ruiz (Student).

Absent: Magaret Power (Teacher); Carol Verga (Teacher); Diana Hagerty, (Teacher); Mariella Meza (Staff));

A quorum was achieved.

3.0 Changes to Agenda

No Changes to the Agenda.

4.0 Reading and Approval of

March Minutes were reviewed by members.

Adriana Morales moved to approve the March Minutes and was seconded by Graciela Estrada.

Unanimously approved.

5.0 Public Comment

No public comments

6.0 Reports

6.1 ELAC Report

Graciela reported that she did not have a DELAC report to share, as last month's ELAC meeting took place one day before the School Site Council meeting. She also shared that the next ELAC meeting will be held on April 29, 2026.

6.2 Student Report

Belquis reported that testing was going well.

6.3 Parent Report

Sharron reported that her son had a positive experience attending the LULAC event.

6.4 Staff Report

Berenice Cabrera reported that a parent conference will be offered to provide families with opportunities to learn about financial literacy, access mental health counseling resources, and participate in preparing a healthy meal. This event will be facilitated by the Restorative Justice team May 9, 2026.

6.5 Community Schools

Berenice Cabrera reported that the Cara y Corazon program has been successful, with its closing ceremony scheduled for next week. She noted that participating parents have expressed significant gratitude and appreciation for what they learned. Furthermore, many parents indicated that they would like to see it offered again next year.

6.6 Administration Report

No Administration Report

7.0 New Business

7.1 Budget

The following budget modifications were presented:

Funding Source	Object	Increase	Decrease
Title I	1100-10	$1,597	
Title I	1100-30		$650
Title I	1200-30		$3,624
Title I	3xxx	$207	
Title I	3xxx		$961
Title I	4200		$200
Title I	4300		$354
Title I	4400		$638
Title I	5200	$12,001	
Title I	5600	$1,769	
Title I	5800		$9,146
ESSA	1200-30	$9,100	
ESSA	3xxx	$2,049	
ESSA	4200	$1,550	

ESSA	4300		$18,345
ESSA	5850	$5,646	

7.2 Review and Approve Budget Modifications

We reviewed the budget modifications and approved them: motion was made to approve budget amendments by Sharron Barajas and second by Adriana Morales. Motion approved unanimously.

8.0 Announcements

Ernesto Garcia started by congratulating Graciela for doing a great job with LPAC and SBAC. He then provided an update on upcoming events, stating that preparations for Prom and Grad Night are in progress. He also mentioned that students had the chance to obtain a dress through the Princess Project. Regarding graduation, Garcia reported 47 confirmed graduates and 73 potential graduates, anticipating a total graduate count that is similar to or slightly higher than last year. Tiffany Ayala added that 87% of our 120 graduates have finished their Financial Aid and 97% have a post-secondary plan. Both Garcia and Ayala congratulated the counseling team for their significant achievements.

Tiffany Ayala announced that the PBIS Tier 1 team was scheduled to present to an external Rotary club to explore a potential partnership.

9.0 Adjournment

Vote to adjourn at 3:20pm.

SSC President: _____

Principal: _____