

**Menlo-Atherton High School
Shared Decision-Making Site Council**

3/7/24

Approved on: 4/18/24

Members in attendance:

Michelle Breen, Stephanie Cuff-Alvarado, Amala Raj, Shionda Nickerson, Lupita Ruiz, Sam Richman (left early), Elisa Nosedal, Sophia Schmitz, Liri Maoz, Tricia Barr (parent), John Giambruno, Sara Leslie (parent), Karl Losekoot, Stephen Ready, Valeria Lorenzo, Amy McGaraghan (parent), Sylvia Torrez Garza, Nichole Barlow

Guests: Evie Filipek

Missing: , Sarah Frivold, Lupita Ruiz (parent), (student), PE, Randy West, Joanna Maldonado

Opening: The regular meeting of the SDMSC was called to order at 3:34 pm

Minutes by: Amala Raj

- **Reviewed minutes from previous meeting, 2/8/24 as is**

Motion made by:

Seconded by:

Approved #:

Opposed #:

Abstention #:

MOTION 3:40 pm

- **Open Forum:**

- Stem Fair tonight, International Night tomorrow!
- Shoutout to Ms. Breen for organizing SBAAC tests yay!
- Shoutout to the case managers for all of their work writing IEPs, etc.

- **Tardies, Passes, and Detentions**

- Draft note to teachers from Mr Muys with feedback to teachers from what was discussed in the last meeting
- Teachers need guidance on how long they should leave the student in the halls during hall sweep, if not caught by admin.
- Are students aware of policies in Muys email? Will ask Muys to send policies out to students.

- **College and Career Day Info Presentation**

- Feedback for senior panels was positive! Definitely keeping those.
- Presentations not useful for/enjoyed by freshmen
- Freshmen trip: permission slips, chaperoning difficult. Students enjoyed it!
- Hard to chaperone students that you don't know!
- Freshmen don't appreciate what it means to be on a college campus, maybe too young.
- Students weighed in: sophomore year might be better, didn't learn much, not very structured.
- A look at Carlmont, Woodside, Sequoia. Very fancy, PSAT & career options for 10th graders
- **College and Career Day for next year?**
 - **Field trips** wasted on freshmen. Big ask to have freshmen learn high school and college at the same time.
 - We LOVE **college tours for sophomores**.
 - Students weigh in: **PSAT for juniors** only because much more useful and accurate. But, nice to see the growth.
 - 10th grade **PSAT feeling superfluous**.
 - We like **Carlmont's rotations!** Opportunity to learn about A-G, meet your counselor, do art activities (so cute).
 - Maybe we do a college tour on College & Career Day and **PSAT on a weekend** now that it is digital
 - 9th grade experience that combines **distance learning & Carlmont-esque activities**.
 - **Equity** goes both ways! PSAT and college visits; valuable for the school to provide both.
 - More **CAREER** focus for seniors! Job training, trade schools, vocational exposure.
 - Useful to kids who aren't A-G/planning to go to college

5. Recommendation of Slide 10:

Motion made by: Giambruno

Seconded by: Elisa Nocedal

Approved #: 16

Opposed #: 0

Abstention #: 2

MOTION PASSES: Yes

5. Adjourning meeting at 5:00pm:

Motion made by: Breen
Seconded by: Lorenzo
Approved #: 18
Opposed #: 0
Abstention #: 0
MOTION PASSES: Yes