



Vessels Elementary Schoolsite Council (SSC) Meeting Notes

I. Meeting called to order 5/26/26 3:07 p.m.

II. Attending

1. Stacy Burke
2. Mark Holman
3. Michael Lasky
4. Charissa McCord
5. Annika Miyashiro-Ruiz
6. Felix Pham
7. Melinda Rowley
8. Karrie Takeuchi
9. John Tosh
10. Julie Boualam
11. Melinda Rowley

III. Announcements

- Approved meeting notes from 2/11/26.

IV. Discussion

Takeuchi provided an update to the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) and Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELOP). Tandy Taylor, the Executive Director of Educational Services' position at the District Office will not be filled moving forward and her duties will be absorbed by new Superintendent. Independent Study was reviewed and will be adopted for the 2026-2027 school year (make up absences up to 15 days) to help attendance records and allow more flexibility for families. ABC Childcare and OC Kids daycare facilities are both closing in the upcoming year.

Holman reviewed comprehensive safety plan which includes physical and emotional safety of the students. Proactive vs. Reactive programming (circles) are implemented to address potential bullying situations and repair classroom camaraderie. Calming spaces remain

available to students in each classroom. PBIS matrix is transparent and expectations are properly laid out.

“Pause Place” is available during lunch recess to teach positive skills and have a quiet place. Staffing needs will be addressed to make “Pause Place” hours more available.

Holman is recommending more cultural programming and composing a new committee for the Social Emotional Learning (SEL) portion of the Safety Plan 2026-2027. Pham suggested distributing parent surveys for additional engagement in the Safety Plan.

Physical safety plans are approved by the Fire Department and District. Emergency plans for earthquake, fire and any other situations provide necessary supplies and in recent events, staff worked seamlessly to ensure student safety and that protocols were met. Teresa Lennox is composing a district-wide plan for all the schools and will provide training to staff in the coming year.

Gopher problem is under control by placing cones to identify holes and requesting them to be filled. Resurfacing is scheduled in the future to replace wood chips (date TBA). Student supervisors provide great feedback in regard to student safety on the playground.

Pham requested all safety data to be tracked to help address future playground needs. The Health Clerk does not necessarily track every small injury. However Holman supported that the Office to do more tracking in the coming years and this motion voted on and approved.

Holman shared about the recent California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress (CAASPP) and the STAR Assessment (K-2).

STAR ELA – showed improvement from 77% to 83.1%

STAR Math – showed improvement from 79.4% to 82.9%

CAASPP ELA: Vessels = 68% (State scores 48%) / difference +20

CAASPP Math: Vessels = 65% (State scores 37%) / difference +28

V. Summary

Holman confirmed his resignation due to a relocation to the Central Coast. Pham adjourned the meeting at 3:53 p.m.