



School Site Council Meeting #4

Date:

April 16, 2019

Time:

5:40 PM

Location:

Room 305

Minutes

Present: Zila Alonso, Chelsea Kloosterman, Jason Colon, Lani De La Torre, Rowena Valerio, Erika Barragan, Rosa Vela, Andrea Lebron, Vienna Bautista, Kalyani Karra, Vicky Escruceria.

- 1. Roll Call 5:43pm (Erika is absent)
- 2. Public Comment
 - a. Parent asked for recess with not much structure and PE uniform for some days.
 - b. Recess can have some structured but too much structured do not let the students be creative to play and interact.
 - c. If we have full freedom in recess, there will be more injuries as happens in after school. We have parents that really wants to have structure. Thursdays and Fridays are now free play and playground.
 - d. May be finding parents volunteers to help to watch the students in those unstructured days.
 - e. Parents will appreciate if the teachers explain them what the students are learning for the week in a more detailed way, so they can help their student.
- 3. Review and Approval of Agenda
 - a. Zila approved first and Second Ms Kloosterman, teacher
- 4. Review and Approval of February 12/19 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Minutes were approved by Zila and second by everyone else
- 5. Non-academic Indicators

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a. School Budget Update

- i. We are in an OK spot, despite our low attendance
- ii. We got some funds because we were over enrolled
- iii. Most of our overspending happens because furniture, books, other foods, PDs in San Jose, and teachers are absent and we need substitutes; our regular monthly expenses are predictable and in budget.
- iv. It will help to ease our budget if parents donate some food to after school? It is unpredictable.
- v. Our FRL budget is getting better as parents are paying their dues. Zila wants the school to take charge of the FRL process, because is very confusing. Ms lani explains that we will have a form for next year were parents can state if their students can or can not have school lunch.

b. Enrollment and Attendance

- i. Mr Colon explained the numbers and there were no questions.
 Our enrollment has been very steady and there had been not major issues with it.
- ii. Flu season was a big cause of the low attendance in the last 3 months.
- c. Home Visits and Parent Partnership Hours
 - i. 99% of home visits were done
 - ii. 2G, 3G and 4G parents need more volunteer hours. They are mostly returning parents.

d. Student Behavior

- i. Suspensions only in 3G. 3% of the whole school.
- e. 2019-2020 Enrollment Model
 - i. We are adding 2 TKs, 1 5G. Total of 561 students projected for the next school year.

6. Principal Reports

- a. 2018-2019 Parent Survey Results
 - i. We identified two focus areas for 18-19 based on feedback from 17.18 parent survey: teacher-parent relationship and recess and lunch experience.
 - ii. Mr Colon explained that the results from relationship parent-teacher from last and this year were very similar with a





- small gain, even that we focused on that aspect this year.
- iii. For last year parents believed were too structured in lunch and recess time, this year the scores grew a little bit.
- iv. While we have seen some incremental gains on this question, it remains a pain point.
- v. Responses to "eats a healthy meal" and "has a positive experience" are 2 out of the top 3 questions that parents "strongly disagree" with. And "Lunch and recess" is the most commonly cited area for improvement.
- vi. Kalyani asked for at least 5 more minutes in recess and or lunch. Ms lani explained that unfortunately we have only 4 OPPs people to do lunch and recess for 423 students. Parents gave different scenarios that happen during lunch, trying to clarify situations that are not very clear. We thanked them for the feedback.
- vii. 88% parents turned in the survey this year, it was 8% less tan last year.
- viii. Our Overall Satisfaction were among the highest in the network but there are areas for improvement in some categories.
- ix. Areas of concern was arrival and dismissal and connecting better with the assistants principal.
- x. Parents feel very strong about the monthly events, academics and the relationship between students and teachers.
- xi. The survey was given to parents 5 days after an incident in Seneca with the police, when many parents were witnesses of it. That can be a reason for our parents worries with security. But there is nothing that we can do about it, this is our space and seems like we are staying here, so we have to educate our students and parents about the sharing situation.
- b. Local Control Funding Formula (LCAP) Parent Engagement
 - i. Mr Colon explained what is LCAP and why is important.
 - 1. LCAP = Local Control and Accountability Plan
 - a. Required to Receive LCFF funding
 - 2. It describes:
 - a. Goals for student achievement
 - b. Action items for meeting goals
 - c. Budget allocations for action items



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- 3. What is required:
 - a. Obtaining parent, staff, and student input
 - b. Annual updates
- ii. RFA has seen big wins in both student growth and parent engagements. The school is on target to meet end of year goals for both reading and math, and 91% of families are on track to meet their parent partnership hours. Our teachers are getting stronger on their content area.
- iii. There are areas, however, where Futuro wants to improve. One of the biggest is attendance, which is currently 91%. Mr Colon has plans for increasing this, including a Love of Learning initiative & attendance incentives. He also wants to leverage parent volunteers better and bring them in during center time during the instructional day.
- iv. This is the moment where parents decide how to spend the funding that we will have, for the next 3 years. Facts:
 - 1. NWEA was a little bit rough mostly because our teachers did not have much experience with it.
 - 2. For second grade we were not able to measure growth because the students took the wrong test for NWEA at the beginning of the school year, so we only have absolute.
 - 3. The state always check the NWEA every year and will compare the results with the results from winter.
 - 4. ELPAC is compared to the year before.
 - 5. We looked at the California state website and our attendance is flagged as an area of growth. Based in data we need to focus on our goals and be accountable for them:
 - a. Attendance is our main focus. It should be not rewarded but penalized. Helping those that are truant or in risk to be truant to reach a good status. Educating parents is a must.
 - Rowena believe that sickness due to flu season was a big issue this year.
 - b. Improve enrichment; which is difficult because the



teacher should have experience with all levels, prepare lesson plans for all levels every week, etc. It is something that everyone agrees.

c. Love of STEM

7. President Report

- a. Anti-charter
 - i. Last week parents from Futuro and some other charter schools from all over California went to Sacramento to support charter schools. Legislators approved 5 bills that will stop charter schools to come to California. New law says that the approval for new charters, stops at district level. The goal is to close 304 charter schools that are not meeting standards.
 - ii. Christabel will be talking to this theme with parents and probably asking for their help in different ways.
 - iii. Sports offerings and funding options
- b. Traffic:
 - i. Pick up takes only 15 minutes in the car line.
 - ii. It had improved.
- c. Building
 - i. Black tarp was not approved for parking.
 - ii. We requested 6 portables, but only 5 were approved.
- 8. Announcements
 - a. No announcements
- 9. Adjourn
 - a. Meeting was adjourned at 7:44 by Vienna and second by Andrea.