

LOS CERRITOS MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 3, 2021

IN ATTENDANCE:

Present at the meeting were: Jason Klinger, Kim Michaud, Gina Sillers, Brandy Pacheco, Kim Budy, Gweneth S., Rocio Perez-Turijan, Austin M., Andrea Mettel, Jamie Bryant, Andrew Lorenzo, Karen McCarthy, Morgan H., Julia Blietz, Candi Garrett, Diane McBride, Cindy Mayling, Ashley B., Elissa Francis, Sydney K., Adrian S., Seyda Cumhur, Melissa Callaway, Nicole Campos

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order at 7:32 am.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes approved as written.

Student's Report

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep – Adrian Soldevila:

- Thank you all teacher and staff for improving safety measures.
- Me and my friend found glass on basketball courts, told teacher.
- In cohort B – only two people can play with balls, there is still a group of more than two people playing together.
  - Mr. Klinger – Concern over contamination with multiple people sharing equipment – working on a plan to allow students to play with multiple people.

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep – Sydney Katz:

- Thank you for continued support and effort from all.
- Thankfully, we can stay on campus and continue in person learning.
- The Buddy Program started this week and I think it really benefits kids with needs.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep – Ashley Bryant:

- It is counselors appreciation week – Thank you Counselors, you are all appreciated.
- In PE we are learning to juggle. Doing it interactive on Zoom. Feel connected to kids.
- Leadership applications have gone out. Wondering when we can sign up for the 2021-2022 school year?
- New rule for online school – we have to have our camera on. Personally, I think it's a good idea so teachers can see if kids are participating.

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep – Morgan Humphrey:

- In person school is going well.
- Noticed that there have not been any announcements the past few days. We usually do them every day, it's weird.
- For Leadership – we have not done anything related to the school in a while. Doing presentations, hopefully after that we can do things more involved with the school.
- When is the next dress up day?

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- Thank you for counselors for everything you do.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep – Gweneth Snowden:

- Safety measures - I love that students are watched more. Supervisors are separating kids now.
- Classes are going well, people are used to the schedule. I really love in person learning.
- Some people are still not wearing masks correctly.
- Everyone is enjoying Mr. Klinger on his scooter.
- Love Wednesdays – hope we keep these online Wednesdays – get to see my friends and the whole class.

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep – Austin Maziasz:

- Since we got back from winter break – social distancing has improved greatly.
- Kids who walk to Vons they do not wear masks and distance.
  - Mrs. Michaud – we got a call from security guard, so we walked up there. Cohort B is so much better!
- Had to do a makeup test yesterday – saw that B cohort is so much better more spread out – has 75 less kids.
- I was out for Covid protocol – I felt the teachers did a really good job at communicating with me and giving me work to complete. Not all teachers were able to zoom me in to class. If I could zoom in it would be much better.

### Counselor's Report – Karen McCarthy:

- Registration time – thanks to Ms. Davis, we have moved all of our forms to Google Docs. No more paper.
- Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders – sending out video presentations for them to watch in class on Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>. Then at 6pm that night we will have a YouTube live to explain the process.
- High school registration presentations:
  - TOHS will do a parent/student webinar on YouTube Live on Weds., Feb 17<sup>th</sup>.
  - WHS will do one on Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>.
  - Communication out to all 8<sup>th</sup> grade families probably next week with all the links and information. High Schools will record their presentations. Students can attend both presentations.
  - WHS scheduling breakout sessions – students show up at certain time to meet with their counselor. Be able to ask specific questions.
- High School forms on Google Docs. Jenna and I are available to assist students as well.
- On Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> – we will be posting canvas card for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade registration – will have a video and the google doc linked. Not sure about NPHS.
- Check out our counseling website for all of this information and more.
- Girl's Empowerment group is starting today. Have a wellness counselor (MFT Intern) that will be working with us. There will be eight sessions.
- Starting up a Resiliency Group for boys and girls – will start in March.
- Buddy Program – starting to reach out to families to inform them about this program. Available to Sped students with 504s.
- Working with D and F kids – offering support, setting up conferences. Have many students who are failing across the board.
- Virtual Conference – “Teens Kick Ash” an anti-smoking/drug conference. We are looking for kids to attend. Let us know. Have to be in B cohort.

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### DAC Report – Cindy Mayling:

- Last meeting was Jan. 12<sup>th</sup> – bulk of meeting was discussing the return of HS students. Then shortly after the meeting, State intervened and students could not return to campus.
- Discussed LCAP and how that is progressing.
- Last night's board meeting, there is still ongoing communication with the State and leadership feels optimistic that high school students will be on campus this year.

### SEDAC Report – Andrea Mettel:

- Standing Committees:
  - Safety Committee – members met with admins regarding the emergency plan. Revisiting it with special ed teachers to make sure it is adequate. Will meet in February with a plan to move forward.
  - Curriculum Committee – members met twice – reviewing the Sex Ed and Health curriculum. Kenny Loo will attend this month's SEDAC meeting. He will provide update.
- UACT – they are holding a Special Education conference April 30<sup>th</sup> thru May 7<sup>th</sup>. Will be virtual and free to all UACT and CTA members. Teachers can get university credit.
- Park & Rec – Therapeutic Rec Dept. – the Winter Guide posted and many new programs added.
- TO Library – opening again on the fourth back to virtual and curbside pick-up.
- Buddy Program – HS student matched with Sped student. They meet over Zoom. Started on Monday at all the high schools are participating. Saw the excitement on both ends. Everyone is really excited about the program.
- Site Rep Successes –
  - Acacia – had multiple SPSA planning meetings.
  - Aspen – the Special Day Class teacher has been doing a combo class where kids are in person and kids who are remote are now in class at the same time.
  - Be Me Program – families feel that the time on campus is too short.
  - TOHS Unified Sports Chapter – all senior unified sport athletes awarded varsity letters.
  - Director of Special Education, Erika Johnson, reviewed the improved LRE data indicators from the state – seen positive movement over past 3 years, still need a lot more movement.
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  - Equity Task Force presentation last week – three members attended the meeting and shared personal experience in school district.
  - Title One presentation
  - English Learners Services Coordinator presentation – make sure that all children have fair and equal opportunity to obtain good education. Success with attendance and more parent involvement. Eight workshops that are 3 hours long teaching parents how to use technology.

### GATE Report – Julia Blietz:

- Last meeting on was on Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Main news - GATE testing has been pushed back to March.
- Stephanie Caswell – reported there were 78 referrals for grades 4 – 8. No HS referrals. Paperwork for referrals processed now.
- Dr. Miller did a presentation in late January on the Executive Function. Mental health support for students and families is very much needed at this time.
- Mental health support lines available in the district. Students and families can report anonymously if they feel unsafe.

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- LCMS – having a GATE activity – Ms. Bartlett and Mrs. Michaud organizing – Stranger Things themed – “trapped in the upside down” activity on Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> at 5pm via Zoom. Email will come from Mrs. Michaud for students to register.

### ELAC/DELAC Report – Rocio Perez-Turijan:

- DELAC meeting was Jan. 26th. There were three important points.
  - COVID-19, Safety\Risk Management Director, Gary Bradbury talked in the website CVUSD COVID-19 Dashboard you can find the updates that will continue to be made regarding the Covid-19 as well as the evaluations of the schools where a positive student is detected. Health measures will continue to be carried out at each school and each cohort.
  - Health Education Update, Instructional Services Department. This update is only physical. On the website you can review the videos.
  - LCAP, The Instructional Services team. DELAC members had the opportunity to provide input and feedback on the development of the 2021-2024.
  - Next meeting will be Feb. 23rd.
- ELAC meeting it was January 27th. There were 20 attendees.
  - Florina Moreno shared his experiences during his professional growth and tips to get ahead.
  - Brenda Rachels (Breakthrough) talked about the resources that are in Conejo Valley.
  - Lisa Lucore talked about strategies to improve and be successful.
  - Mrs. Pacheco talked about evaluation reading, LCAP and CAASP.
  - Next meeting will be April 21st.

### PSTA Report – Mellissa Callaway:

- Fundraising on Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> – LC family who owns Fusion Grill is hosting a restaurant night. 20% of proceeds will go to LC PTSA.
- Amazon Smiles, box tops and School Cents to earn money as well.
- School Cents at the Oaks – offering 3 pts per dollar spent. Go to ShoptheOaks.com.
- Thank you Counselors for all your dedication and work.
- Mr. Klinger and Melissa are both on nominating committee – Always looking for parents to serve on the executive board. We have amazing 8<sup>th</sup> grade parents who are leaving. We have positions to fill.

### Boys & Girls Club Report – Andrew Lorenzo:

- Shout out to Suzie and team in cafeteria – feeding B&G club every day. Kids appreciate it.
- Doing enrichment program every day. Kids are very engaged.
- SEL skills - Teaching kids about social awareness and self-management. Trying to manage stress.
- Shout out to teachers and counselors – we have two students who are amazing leaders here at the club (Valeria Jimenez and Ella Tucker).
- We miss our middle schoolers here. We have spots available.

### Principal's Report – Jason Klinger:

Mrs. Michaud –

- Had a dress up day – COTY day – leadership classes put out. Events are placed on Canvas dashboard.
- Next week on Monday – will start advertising Valentine’s day dress up. Try to do week of.
- Builders Club – Ella Neale 8<sup>th</sup> grade who is Builders Club president working with Sherill Hyink and Kiwanis Club – meeting every Wednesday – doing different projects.

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- Announcements not happening because PA wasn't working then forgot in the afternoon.
- This month is Black History Month – put together slides for classes to share. Each student will get a bio of a famous black person in history. Doing quotes in morning announcement. We chose Wednesdays to get the info out.
- Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> – World Kindness Day – teachers kicking off 30 days of kindness challenge. Done only on school days. Each day there will be a post of a new challenge.
- Email checking reminder on canvas and hopefully is working – students seem to be checking emails.
- Counseling Week – admins are treating them to treats. Every day we will do something to celebrate them.

### Mrs. Pacheco –

- ELD students have to take the LPAC – for the first time, we get to set our own calendar for LPAC testing. Working to not overlap with CAASPP testing.
- CAASPP will be taking place after spring break. ELA portion was shortened. Trying to figure out how long it will take students to complete the test. Have issues with students who don't finish or need to do the make-up. Test will all be done online. Online for the last 5 years. Trying to work with Remote students as well.
- Addressing student concerns. Constantly reminding kids about safety reminders. We are out monitoring students and following protocols.

### Mr. Klinger –

- Thank you to students for report. We need more SDAC members (some aren't showing up – not our LC students).
- Health and Safety – we are doing everything we can. They are putting ionization units in portables today. Supposed to sanitize the classrooms.
- Office Manager retired – have six highly qualified candidates. Will notify the candidate soon.
- We still do not have a nurse. The District gave us a procedure nurse and someone from an outside clinic.
- Excited to have our Band finally able to play outside. Mr. Blake wants to do a performance. Klinger will work on how to do an outdoor concert.
- Measure I project – is up and going. Fifteen bids have been put in for project. Construction should start April 1<sup>st</sup>. Windows will go in in the summer.
- 6th grade parents – got email about previewing the Human Growth and Development video. Trying to figure out how to do that with remote students.
- Trimester 3 is approaching – which means students have a chance to change their status – on campus or going remote. First communication will go out today or tomorrow to let parents know that the window is open to change for Trimester 3. Deadline is Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> to let the school know.
- Mrs. Pacheco did a master schedule audit of how many seats we have in each cohorts. Will not be able to accommodate every request to come back. Have to keep students at 15/16 per classroom. Families will be notified by March 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Biggest challenge is zooming for students who are out on quarantine. We had a lot of work to set up technology. If teacher was right in front of cameras students could hear, but when they walk away students on zoom cannot hear. So ordering more microphones. Students need to see what teacher is doing on the board and hear what the teacher is talking about.
- Now when we get exposure or positive list – we send calendar invites to teachers letting them know who they need to zoom in.
- Questions –
  - Elissa – growth and development films – realized that our 7<sup>th</sup> graders didn't see the videos due to the closure last year. Will those students be able to see videos?
    - Mr. Klinger said he is not sure, will find out. Possibly send the film via a link to parents.
  - Andrea – can you clarify if there is Sex Ed curriculum that will be taught for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders?
    - It is still required curriculum for 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

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### Old Business

Dress Code committee meeting was rescheduled to this Thursday at 1:00pm. If interested in being on the committee, please let Mrs. Pacheco know. Will present info at the next SSC meeting.

### New Business

No new business.

### Public Concerns

Elissa – when we had the power outages – we didn't think we needed to call in. Communication was not clear.  
Mr. Klinger - We can make sure all students' attendance is cleared for that day.

### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:32am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gina Sillers, SSC Clerk