

**LOS CERRITOS MIDDLE SCHOOL
SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MINUTES
JUNE 2, 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 M., Jamie Bryant, Leslie Chicas, Karen McCarthy, Morgan H., Julia Blietz, Nicole Campos, Cindy Mayling, Ashley B., Elissa Francis, Sydney K., Adrian S., Seyda Cumhur, Melissa Callaway

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7:33 am.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved as written.

Student's Report

6th Grade Rep – Adrian Soldevila:

- Thank staff for hard work in producing the best possible year.
- Noticed teachers asking students to hand sanitize.
- Enjoyed leadership activities, keeping students involved.
- Really grateful to be on school site council.

6th Grade Rep – Sydney Katz:

- Thank you for hard work, dedication and support.
- Been a joy being on School Site Council.

7th Grade Rep – Ashley Bryant:

- Staff and teachers have made this year as good as it could be.
- Benchmark testing went smoothly and not as long.
- Questions were challenging and confusing how stated.
- Year almost over, some teachers are pushing work and lessons to be completed by end of year.
- LC windows are going to be nice.

7th Grade Rep – Morgan Humphrey:

- Year almost over, we have projects and test. Time consuming.
- Benchmark was worded confusingly, but not long.
- Year went by fast but was very fun.

8th Grade Rep – Gweneth Snowden:

- Thank you staff and SSC for all three years.
- Never going to forget this experience.
- No finals yet. Some teachers have given us dates, but others have not. One teacher said we have a final on the 11th.

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8th Grade Rep – Austin Maziasz:

- Thank you to everyone. It's helped a lot with my public speaking.

Counselor's Report – Karen McCarthy:

- Working on master schedule details.
- Still accepting petitions from students who wish to be in honors or accelerated classes but don't automatically qualify. Closes on June 7th. Check LC counseling website for petition.
- Meeting with kids as last push to help get grades up.
- Identifying students for summer school. 8th graders failing math and English.
- Identifying students for the Early back program.
- Reaching out to families about the Summer Camp – BGG Club Finding activities for kids over the summer.
- Starting to ramp up for promotion.
- Working with families and students on social emotional issues.

DAC Report – Cindy Mayling:

- Thank you everyone who put out extraordinary efforts this year.
- Last meeting on May 11th. Did elections of the coming years' executive board.
- Equity Task Force passport presentation -
 - Focused on transformational change relative to groups of students that we serve. Ensure they have same kind of equity as other students. Focused on students with disabilities, English learners, LGBTQ students, and students with unstable housing. We have experts from community participating in task force: teachers, administrators working together. Presentation is on DAC website.

SEDAC Report – Andrea Mettel:

- Special Olympics was held on 5/27 @ Newbury Park High School, was quite successful.
- SEDAC Celebration/Graduation Committee for Seniors:
 - Hosting a Virtual Celebration to honor our High School Seniors and Exiting Post-Secondary Students held on June 4, 2021 at 5:00pm via Zoom.
- New name for Post-Secondary – will now be called Conejo Oaks Academy.
- Independent Living Resource Center has many free services for people with disabilities. Sandy Krietzberg shared that there are free services for people who are Deaf and/or Hard of hearing (see fliers below)
- Extended School Year: reminder that students who were offered ESY can still sign up until 6/15/21. ESY will be 6/16-7/14.
- New executive team:
 - Chair: Erin Bell
 - Vice Chair: Alice Chou
 - Parliamentarian: Cindy Liu
 - Secretary: Rachael Brusseau
 - Members at Large: Mandy Pollak, Lynda Karl, Carole Shelton, Lee Ann Holland, Michelle Halliwell, Denise Benic
- If anyone has questions about remote/virtual opportunities for 2021-2022, then please contact Dr. Miller (lamiller@conejousd.org)
- SEDAC 2021-2022 Calendar (see below) - the first meeting is August 24th, location announced later.
- If anyone is interested in becoming a SEDAC representative at a new site (ex: student is matriculating from middle school to high school), then please contact the principal at the new school site. Additionally, if you

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are leaving a school site, then please support the old principal and site to find a new SEDAC representative so we have continuity. Our first meeting will be in AUGUST, earlier than previous years, so it's important to get reps slotted for next year.

- I also wanted to mention that for ALL CVUSD high school students, there is a dual enrollment program (6 week program this Summer) for Intro to Business, Intro to Sociology, and English Composition. Please reach out to Mr. Brian Mercer for questions (bmercerc@conejousd.org).

GATE Report – Julia Blietz:

- Had last meeting on May 7. Summary of the year.
- Issue came up about Instructional Quality Commission hearing on May 19th. Discussing the potential to eliminate access to advanced math opportunities for California students. Encouraging people to email the Instructional Quality Commission about it to keep offering those opportunities to gifted students.
- Elected board for next year.
- If anyone knows any GATE parents who would like to move into my position, please have them reach out to Mr. Klinger or myself.

ELAC/DELAC Report – Rocio Perez-Turijan:

- DELAC the last meeting was May 25th.
- Gary Bradbury talked about CDC provides vaccines for all people. You can visit the website CVUSD for view updates.
- Dr. Cesar Morales Superintendent of Ventura County Education talked about his job and he will be support to all districts.
- Presentation of Multilingual Parent Leadership.
- Dr. Lisa Miller talked about the updates for English Learners.
- Dr. Mark McLaughlin talked about the different surveys to complete. It's very important to send the answers.
- Farewell and closing by Dr. Debora Martinez.
- ELAC the last meeting was May 19th.
- There were 44 students recognized for ELD awards including those who have reclassified in-person.

PSTA Report – Mellissa Callaway:

- Had last general meeting last night. Went over how we could provide food/snack for 8th graders before promotion.
- Megan Turner – Reflections – excellent turnout to give awards to those students who participated.
- See some new faces who are joining us next year. Had to say goodbye to some important people.
- It has been wonderful to work with administration and staff. We love doing what we do.

Boys & Girls Club Report – Leslie Chicas:

- Only been here a month and already feeling the love and support.
- We are open for summer – filling up.
- Club continues to reach out for community needs.

Teacher Report – Kim Budy:

- Ms. Budy – finishing up math lessons and getting ready for end of year exam.
- Thinking about classes next year and how to improve in getting students ready.

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- Career Wheel - 6th Grade electives – changing up – now offer quarter classes – each teacher will teach two different electives. (Art, Leadership/Public Speaker, Tech, and World Cultures).
- Teachers will partner up with another teacher and plan together. Students will flip flop at end of each session.
- Every Tuesday will be teaching financial and future goals - college, trade school, etc. and have organization skills.
- This summer teachers are making up curriculum.

Principal's Report – Jason Klinger:

- Single School Plan - The final data is not ready to be shared at this time.
 - EADMS assessment – waiting for results.
 - All students are participating in Read Theory this year. Will have data on Friday.
 - Attendance data. A lot less absences since we were sanitizing and wearing a mask.
 - Discipline data – very little discipline overall this year.
 - Trimester 3 grades – will have that after June 14th.
 - Students will take the Math benchmark (6, 7 and 8) and will have that data later.
- Awards –
 - Tiered award schedule – 6th grades got less, 7th graders got more and 8th graders got the most. Teachers given discretion for honoring students.
 - Typically, we have English Language awards separate. Separate ELD awards.
 - ELD awards – wanted students to feel special – but students want to be with everyone else. Don't view as a real award.
 - Move away from tier based and change to recognize students based on set criteria for academic awards.
 - Establish three categories of awards: academic excellence, reward growth and improvement, give an achievement award (under represented students).
- We have other ways to recognize students: Renaissance Reward Program (grades), Student of the Month (teacher discretion), Principal's Honor Roll (gpa over 3.5), Presidents Education Award (8th graders with 3.5 gpa for 3 years).
- Comments:
 - Jamie – love this!
 - Elissa – love that you are acknowledging growth and improvement.
 - Cindy – loved the awards video and not do an in-person ceremony.
 - Andrea – loved the video as well. Not sure if student likes the dress up and attend in person ceremony.
 - Austin – in-person was more fun for parents, and me but I know a lot of students who don't like to walk on stage and prefer the video.
 - Cindy – do students even know why they are getting an award? I would prefer a phone call from teacher to tell me why my child won an award. In the past, my kids have no idea why they were chosen for an award. Some kids take away that they got an award because teacher likes them better.
 - Julia – both my kids had mostly same classes – one kids got most awards and the other got one or none. Think kids need to be aware of why they won or didn't win an award.
- Kim Michaud – yearbook -
 - Yearbooks are in, we have prelabeled every book with students' name who have ordered one. Delivered to 2nd period on Friday for both am and pm for students to take home. No sharing, no signing yearbooks on campus. Do have a waitlist of people who have called. We did not over order this year. No cash or check orders, all done online.
 - Remote students will be able to pick up from the office any time after June 4th.

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- Early Back Summer School Intervention – all middle schools are offering EBI for Aug 2nd thru 11th. Students who could use a running start who have struggled this year. Extra support. Also includes special ed students. Working on list now.
- We are required by law to give reinforcement activities for the last 3 days of school. Activities will be posted.
- Promotion – working on seating. Wristbands handed out Tuesday. Pods labeled and highlighted. If anyone loses their wristband, will not issue another one. Must have name on list.
- 8th graders will be seated with parents. Students come for practice and walk them through promotion. Hopefully goes smoothly.
- Amazing band performance, choir and strings performances. Two student speakers and Gweneth will represent leadership group.
- Used to last 54 minutes. Now not sure how long it will take.

Old Business

No new business

New Business

Future SSC Dates need to make two changes.

- Proposed to add August 25 as an additional meet date and would like to push back our first September meeting to September 8th. No discussion. Motion passed.
- Propose to have Jamie Bryant be SSC president for next year until we have a replacement. No discussion. Motion passes.

Public Concerns

No public concerns

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:34am.

Respectfully submitted,
Gina Sillers, SSC Clerk