

**LOS CERRITOS MIDDLE SCHOOL  
SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MINUTES  
SEPTEMBER 4, 2019**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Present at the meeting were: Jason Klinger, Kim Michaud, Karen McCarthy, Kim Budy, Sonia Dritz, Dina Langhorne, Austin M., Kourosh A., Drew R., Pamela Valance, Julia Blietz, Andrea Mettel, Georgi Harden, Gina Sillers, Diana McBride, Dawn Gould, Brandy Pacheco, Nancy Crellin, Jennifer Wutkee, Rocio Perez, Lindsey D.

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7:32 am.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved as written.

Public Concerns

Lindsey Dahan 7<sup>th</sup> Grader:

- I would like to change the dress code in regard to no leggings. I'm not saying see through leggings would be okay but lulu lemons would be nice to wear. I feel students perform better when they are comfortable. I also want to add that skinny jeans are just like leggings. So now if I can get 350 signatures will you consider making life easier for hundreds of people?

Student's Report

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep – Gweneth Snowden:

- Not present

7<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep – Austin Maziasz:

- We should make passing period 1 minute longer. I have to go from the portables up to my locker and back down to the PE locker room. I'm almost late every day for PE. I think a way to solve this problem is by taking time out of lunch and make passing period between 2 and 3 minutes longer. It can also be a snack break.
- I also like the first day of school a lot more because we got to learn interesting facts about our teachers and got to share about ourselves.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep - Drew Rosen:

- I'm very excited for the new school year.
- The Back to School dance is on Friday, which is very exciting!
- All of the Choirs are practicing for our first concert Fall Y'all which is in a couple of weeks.
- I have a question; I went to make up orientation and never got my ID picture or my ASB punch so what can I do to get one?
- Thank you for listening and I hope you have a great year!

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Rep - Kouros Apfelthaler:

- In PE we are starting the badminton unit.
- In Choir, we are preparing for Fall Y'all.
- In English, we are viewing the meaning of identity and how it applies to us and the world.
- In Social Studies, we are working on our Create a Country project.
- In Spanish, we are learning basic sentences, questions, and responses.
- In Science, we are working with triple beam balances and the metric system.
- In Math, we are practicing solving equations.

Counselor's Report – Karen McCarthy:

- New Counselor this year, Jenna Davis from TOHS.
- Finished with schedule changes.
- Starting morning meetings for our 504 plans. Meetings are pretty much every morning thru end of October.
- Starting to get things organized for the leadership retreat.
- Starting to offer testing in quiet place.
- Getting to know kids better who are having trouble adjusting.

DAC Report – Dina Langhorne:

- No report.

SEDAC Report – Andrea Mettel:

- No report.

GATE Report – Julia Blietz:

- No report.

ELAC/DELAC Report – Brandy Pacheco/ Rocio Perez:

- ELAC meeting will be on Sept 19 and DELAC meeting will be on October 29.
- Usually done on back to school night but timing is too tight.
- Worked out meeting dates, starting with student presentations. Coming up with ways to acknowledge our EL Students.

PSTA Report – Nancy Crellin:

- We had our table at orientation and received quite a number of donations and memberships.
- Did back to school breakfast, welcome coffee. Food donated by PTSA volunteers and Starbucks donated coffee. It was nice to welcome families back.
- Had our general association meeting yesterday and approved 2019-2020 budget.
- Signed Fiduciary agreement \$250 teacher stipends and the \$500 departmental stipends.
- On Back to School Night we are offering a staff dinner this year, preorder meals for back to school night.

Boys & Girls Club Report – Georgi Harden:

- Had a great start to the year.
- Our enrichment starts next week. Classes offered range from 3D Printing to Hip Hop to Smart Girls and Passport to Manhood.
- A couple of free events coming up including an after party for after the school dance, open till 9pm.
  - On back to school night the B&G club will be open for kids to come hang out while parents are at Back to School Night.
  - On Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> we are having a BBQ and Inflatable Fun right after school till 6:00pm.

Principal's Report – Jason Klinger:

Mrs. Michaud –

- Two big events for our 6<sup>th</sup> graders. Leopard Welcome Day we had 81% of our 6<sup>th</sup> graders attend and the 6<sup>th</sup> grade welcome Ice Cream Social we had 76% of them show up. Sent list of students who are not attending events to teachers to invite them to the back to school dance.
- We have our Back to School dance on Friday.
- Today we have our PSST Newcomers lunch for new students in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Students received a personal invitation.
- On September 11<sup>th</sup> we have our one and only Fundraiser assembly.
- Crew Camp will be Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> thru 22<sup>nd</sup> and we are going to Camp Ramah. Working with Fulcrum to alter activities since new location.
- At this point we have 15 clubs that have started with teacher advisors. Four clubs have been put out to teachers yesterday to sponsor. Clubs will go into the bulletin and are announced every morning.

Mrs. Pacheco -

- Citizenship assembly held last week per grade level. Students who missed it was brought in and updated on what they missed.
- Offenses – what not to bring on campus.
- Going into science classes and talking to 8<sup>th</sup> graders about 8<sup>th</sup> grade contracts.
- We are still waiting for our Student Handbooks to come in.
- Dress Code - leggings are allowed, we just asked that your top or skirt over leggings go down to the tip of thumb. Shorts or skirts need to come to the tip of middle finger.

Mr. Klinger –

- Did things differently first day of school. Classes worked on community building lessons. Handed out surveys – wish list items were given. Throughout the year we will be granting wishes.
- Sandy Hook Promise – two assemblies coming up.
  - On Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> – “Start with HELLO”. Combat social isolation. Speaker will speak to all grades. Our PSST group will do activities through the year to support that idea. Working on student connections.
  - Assembly in February – “Say Something”. Teaching students to recognize warning signs and say something to someone. So we can support them.
- Digital Citizenship – throughout the year each grade level will do 6 lessons. Teaching kids digital age skills.
- District got a 1 million dollar grant – “The Best Program – Becoming Everyday Scholars Together” formerly called “Low Performing Student Law Grant” for students who scored low on CAASPP. Meet with a counselor twice a week. Providing tutoring to help support them. Finding out why unsuccessful.
- Current enrollment is at 960. We have 376 - 8<sup>th</sup> graders and 281 - 6<sup>th</sup> graders.
- New staff members – 3 new math teachers. All here as teacher candidates.

Old Business

No old business to report.

New Business

- Single School Plan Data Review – Reviewed school wide CAASPP data. Packets were distributed that included data as well as the 2018/19 SSP goals. Process Change: In order to be more inclusive, a Single School Plan breakout session will be created to provide parents, teachers and admins a full day to review data, propose goals, and develop/create an action plan to implement goals. An email will be sent out for volunteers and all are welcomed to attend.
  - Gina will send out email of who is interested to find a day that works for everyone.
  
- 2019-2020 School Safety Plan Review – Michaud
  - New safety plan – simplified language. Went over who is responsible for which section during an emergency.
  - Student release team – all call goes out to parents every trimester about the release and reunion protocols.
  - We have search and rescue teams.
  - Went over lock-down procedures.
  - Will vote on Safety Plan next meeting.
  
- Selection of new SEDAC Rep –
  - Current Rep – Andrea Mettel – current 7<sup>th</sup> grader at LC. Went over her bio.
  - Parent – Karen Kyle – student in 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Went over her bio.
  - Parent – Jennifer Anderson – student in 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Went over her bio.
  - Vote was performed by council – Jason recommends to make Andrea and Karen co-reps for SEDAC.
  - Motion to approve Andrea and Karen being SEDAC co-chairs for 2019-2020 year.
  
- Selection of new DAC Rep –
  - Dina current rep – is interested in continuing.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35am.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gina Sillers, SSC Clerk