

**LOS CERRITOS MIDDLE SCHOOL
SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MINUTES
December 7, 2022**

IN ATTENDANCE:

Present at the meeting were: Jason Klinger, Gina Sillers, Sydney Katz, Donna Lovretovich, Rachael Jordan, Shauna Berman, Eli Nudel, Kaylin Kelly, Kacy Butcher, Scott Foli, Katie Dahm, Clare Cee, Olivia Chiu, Patti Reis, Michelle McEvoy, Pam VanUden, Brandy Pacheco, Paige Gonzales

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 7:34am.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes were approved as written.

Student's Report

6th Grade Rep – Kaylin Kelly:

- With holiday break, in math class preparing for a project next wed. Baking while solving math problems.
- Sunday is LC Choir Winter Concert. MPR has been hectic.
- Exciting things happening with holidays coming up.

6th Grade Rep – Eli Nudel:

- Movie Night went well and fun.
- In classes, not too many tests. Actually, we have about 1 test per week.

7th Grade Rep – Olivia Chiu:

- Movie Night was fun.
- The cotton candy machine, big hit.
- Question – what's going on with construction??
- Ukraine Fundraiser, going to start next week making posters for around school and announcements.
- Leadership – starting character strong.

7th Grade Rep – Clare Cee:

- Agree, movie night was fun.
- Noticed that there was a lot of trash and spilled drinks.

8th Grade Rep – TBD:

- No Report.

8th Grade Rep – Sydney Katz:

- Excited for winter break and choir concert this weekend. Not very happy about the rain.
- Science – starting science fair, not very excited – its' stressful. 200 pts, big chunk of grade.
- On Friday, we have Westlake choir show assembly.
- This Friday is quarter progress reports. Felt like quarter just ended. A couple weeks after break, almost done with middle school.

Counselor's Report – Jason Klinger:

- Preparing video presentation for 6th graders for classes next year.
- Preparing for elementary school visits.
- Klinger might do a parent night the day they go. To answer questions.
- Doing great job with wellness counselor. Getting a 2nd counselor.
- All counselors are meeting with kids who have Ds or Fs. Setting meetings with parents for those kids who have multiple D's of Fs.
- Jason shared Fall SEL survey results. 586 students took survey.

DAC Report – Sonja Montiel:

- Not Present.

SEDAC Report – Martina Ziegenfuss:

- Not Present.

GATE DAC Report – Michelle McEvoy:

- Pacheco – For GATE, today at lunch have a guest speaker – Ms. Bronte become a doctor. She's coming at lunch to speak to our gate kids who signed up.
- Next week During RTI – 6th and 7th grade GATE students who have a study hall, can participate in Ugly Sweater contest. History of ugly sweater and an activity – colors, feelings, designs. Next Weds. and Thurs. during RTI.
- Parent meeting tomorrow at 4pm via zoom. For those who can't attend, will send out PowerPoint presentation
- Michelle – meeting last week.
- Discussion session with Dr. Rogers, Asst. Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Importance of teachers doing in-class identification, in-class differentiation when they can.
- Continuing discussion on social emotional learning. There is an SEL TOSA who is available, which is good to know.
- Mention about Technical and Career paths – lots of people don't know it's there. American education has been focused on college, but some don't want to go to college.
 - Klinger – we are changing wood shop class to be more engineering based, new class Engineering in Wood.
- Business and Administration – how core lit books are chosen. Difficulty levels. Many are not difficult enough.

ELAC/DELAC Report – Sara Oscanoa:

- Not Present.
- Pacheco – Yesterday we held first EL Task Force – Paige and Brandy – Rep from each department there. Had a discussion on what we want to accomplish.
 - Teacher concerns regarding EL students.
 - Specific students of concern, what can we do for them.
 - Levels of motivation we can create for students.
 - Tapping into resources like former students in high school now. Years ago, TO and WHS have Latino Connection students – high school students created a presentation – walked through what high school entails. Kids from here went to HS and joined the Latino Connection for instant connection.
 - This year, we haven't been able to do that. Trying to bridge gap with kids moving to HS.
 - Goal is to meet once a month.

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- Guest speaker coming to next ELAC meeting. Jan. 19th.

LGBTQ+ Representative – Rachael Jordan:

- Met last week.
- Elementary subcommittee (TK-5) updated on priorities (rainbow club, inclusive literature, LGBTQ+ History month).
- Secondary subcommittee (middle/high school) – updated on concerns from students. Including all gender restrooms. Opportunities for LGBTQ+ students to provide feedback about experiences. Giving students the optional opportunity to use their pronouns at start of school year.
- Revisions to standing rules and bylaws.
- Reporting concerns to staff. Always start at school site. If not comfortable, how do we use the confidential incident report form on District website.
- Next meeting is Weds. Jan. 25th 9:30am at University Center.

PTSA Report – Donna Lovretovich:

- Future Leopard night went well. Passed out information about how PTSA supports school.
- Student PTSA were there to sell water/treats.
- Funded \$17,500 in dept and teacher stipends this year.
- Will fund \$14,000 on campus improvement.
- Funded \$8300 in student enrichment this year (including ball pit)
- Sent emails to parents regarding “Giving Tuesday”.
- Partnering with ASB for toy drive. Donations thru Dec. 15th. For foster children, age range is infants to kids that are high school age.
- Having a 3-day food fundraiser event at Valentinos. If you purchase a \$50, get a \$10 certificate.
- Spreading the word about PTSA and how parents can get involved.
- Using membership toolkit, success with marquee messages, direct donations just concluded, not as successful.

Boys & Girls Club Report – Shauna Berman:

- Winter break – open at Redwood for middle schoolers and elementary.
- ELOP program expanded.
- Most ELOP students in the district. Mrs. Hernandez doing a great job at getting those kids to the B&G Club.
- Starting in Jan half price for lunch club.
- Enrichments in Jan – cooking crocheting
- Basketball game coming up against another B&G club.

Teacher Reports:

- Butcher – Common Lit test coming up. A lot of staff members were giving money for grant, money in classrooms.
- Reminding myself and students and minds needs to be present.
- Van Uden – they are all ready for vacation.

Principal's Report – Jason Klinger:

- Superintendent here Friday.
- Future Warrior Night last night.
- Tesla – is building a Tesla battery. Unit that will store energy we save money, Power outage we will have power. Done within the month.

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- SEL lessons – Math is doing Unit 2 – harassment bullying. What it is and how to deal with it.
- Inclusive Lesson – cool activities
- Athletic – fall season ended. Out of 5 teams, 4 out of 5 went to championship.
- Winter sports starting –
- PSAT – Take the test this Saturday. Gives them an idea of where they are at with strengths and weaknesses.
- Outdoor school paperwork went out.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

Progress Monitoring School Plan

- Read Theory Data shared – scored low on pretest, but Quarter 1 showed improvement.
- D & F data – showing data for all middle schools. Our school has lowest amount of D's & F's. Subjects where most D's and F's: 6th graders – Science, 7th Grade – Social Science, 8th Grade – Social Science.
- SS Benchmark – listening benchmark. Scores are high.

Chromebooks – students keep forgetting them. Need partnership with parents to remind their students.

Olivia – One teacher - if you don't bring chromebook – get lunch detention. Bring charger.

We are going to buy extra charging chords.

Some teachers have adjusted to offering papers if students forget. We have 5-7 damaged chromebooks per week. Eventually carts will be gone.

Public Concerns

No public comments.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:23am.

Respectfully submitted,
Gina Sillers, SSC Clerk