

Ardenwood Elementary School Site Council



Meeting Minutes September 17, 2019

Members Present:

- ☑ Elie Wasser, Principal
- ☐ Leanna Sutton, Assistant Principal
- ☑ Caitlin Christopherson, Teacher
- ☐ Rachel Piper-Frisina, Teacher
- ☑ Robert Christensen, Teacher

- ✓ Krista Lanzarotta. Parent
- ✓ Reena Patel, Parent
- ☑ Bina Shanbhag, Parent
- ✓ Sangeeta Srikanth, Parent
- ☑ Ellen Tillman, Parent
- I. Meeting Called to Order at 6:32 pm
- II. Welcome and Introductions

Group introductions were held.

III. School Site Council Training

- Mr. Wasser led the council in the reviewing of roles and functions of SSC along with the bylaws. He highlighted the need for at least 5 school staff members and 5 school community members to make up the SSC, and that at least 50% of members must be present for a meeting to be held.

IV. SSC Bylaws Review & Amendment

- The council reviewed the bylaws, and noted the change of meeting location for this school year (meetings will be held in the library this year, not the staff room).
- Motion to accept the 2019-2020 bylaws was approved.
- Special Committee under SSC this year will include the English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC).
 - A. ELAC Representation conversation will continue via email. January 21st, 2020 is the next ELAC meeting.
 - B. ELAC Special Committee Brainstorming

- Have teachers address EL parents about ELAC during November parent-teacher conferences with a questionnaire about what topics are important to them, what language translation would be needed, and meeting info.
- Offer translation at ELAC meeting in January.

V. Election of New Officers

Chairperson- Krista Lanzarotta, Parent Vice Chairperson- Ellen Tillman, Parent Secretary - Caitlin Christopherson, Teacher

VI. Review of 2019-2020 Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)

- A. Council discussion about ELPAC scores for English Learners who may have learning disabilities.
- B. Council reviewed 5 school goals for SPSA.
 - 1. Goal #1 has a new addition "current ELs, students with disabilities, and socioeconomically disadvantaged student groups will each see an increase in performance by 10+ points".
 - 2. Goal # 4, which is about creating an educational environment that is conducive to learning has been reworded and the metrics has changed to "decrease by 1%".
- C. Council discussion about intervention funds for teacher before/after school programs and guest teachers or specialists to support in class intervention.
- D. Council discussion about GATE identified student project or initiative at Ardenwood and what funds are available specifically for GATE student group.
 - Ideas include utilizing student council projects, PI day activities, student journalism section of school website, GATE certification of 4th-6th grade teachers.
- E. Council discussion about how to use funds to support school programs, such as the school musical, to support goal #4 of creating a conducive school environment.

VII. Public Input

No public members present for input.

VIII. Meeting Adjourned at 7:43 pm.