

Menlo-Atherton High School Shared Decision-Making Site Council

10/19/2023

Approved on: 11/30/23

Opening: The regular meeting of the Site Council was called to order at 3:32 pm.

Members Present: Tricia Barr (parent), John Giambruno, Sara Leslie (parent), Karl Losekoot, Karina Flores, Sophie Robbins (student), Susan Price, Paulina Cisneros (student), Gizelle Martinez (student), Adrian Perkins.

Members Absent: Sarah Frivold

Guest: Tina Lin

- A. An overview of the agenda by John. $\frac{2}{3}$ of the 12 members need to be present for a motion to pass. 10 present members today.

B. **Approval of Minutes at 3:38 pm**

Approval of [minutes from 9/7/23](#)

Motion to Approve from: Sara Leslie

Seconded by: Paulina Cisneros

Approved #: 10

Opposed #: 0

Abstention #: 0

MOTION PASSES to approve minutes

C. **Report out**

- Chair: Semester moving along well.
- Students. Leadership: Custodial Appreciation Night today.
- Staff. No update.
- PTA. No update
- Foundation. No update
- ELAC. ELAC elected officers and have seen an increase in parent members. Started with 15 members and now have 25 members.
- Principal. Karl: College & Career Day was a big success. Lots of work from lots of people to have a day like this. Field trips (permission slips, buses, etc), new Digital PSAT, career panels. Had a group of kids go to Job Train.
 - Visits: San Jose State, San Francisco State, Santa Clara University

- ELD students visited community college
- Sophomores who were reading below grade level went to Job Train (instead of taking PSAT)
- Digital PSAT - 837 students took it. Personal Chromebooks had issues. School had Chromebooks ready for kids.

In another meeting, we will discuss whether PSAT is offered to Sophomores. Per Karl, we'll always offer it to Juniors. Is it valuable for sophomores b/c it gives them additional chance to practice? Or is there another Sophomore-level activity they could / should do on College & Career Day?

Question around why are we putting so much emphasis on it when SATs aren't as important for college? Or when sophomores aren't necessarily interested / engaged?

D. **Career Cadre:** Exploratory Discussion [JAM BOARD](#) FOR SMALL GROUPS

Goal: Form a committee to discuss post-high school options:

1. How to improve Career Readiness for ALL M-A Students once their education is over?
2. Who should it have in general terms? (2 teachers, Counselor, Admin, etc)? (no more than 10)
3. What will it do? How and When will it do it?

Keep with in capacity of what we can tangibly do here at M-A.

Note: PTA could possibly help with a Career & College Cadre member - and/or help in future years with identifying parents for career panels, etc.

Motion made by: Mr G at 4:50

Second by Karina Flores

Approved #: 11

Opposed #: 0

Abstention #: 0

MOTION PASSES: at 4:51pm

E. Further Review Current [Site Plan](#)

(Didn't get to this item on the agenda)

Adjourn

Motion made by: Sophie Robbins

Second by Paula Cisneros

Approved #: 11

Opposed #: 0

Abstention #: 0

MOTION PASSES: at 4:57pm

