## Posted: Sunday, January 26, 2025

All staff, parents/guardians, and members of the public are invited to attend the SSC meeting.

Todo el personal, padres/tutores y miembros del público están invitados a asistir a la reunión del Consejo Escolar (SSC) de la Escuela Secundaria Kennedy.

# John F. Kennedy Middle School

**Date: January 29, 2025** **Location: Virtual**

**Starting Time: 5:00 p.m.** **Proposed Ending Time: 6:00 p.m.**

## School Site Council Members:

| | Name | Role |
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| 1 | Chandra Leonardo | Principal (Present) |
| 2. | Jennifer Virnich | Teacher (Present) |
| 3. | Endre Balogh | Teacher (Present) |
| 4. | Katherine Robles | Staff (Present) |
| 5. | Cynthia Cardona | Community/Staff (Absent) |
| 6. | Steve Osborn | Parent (Present) |
| 7. | Aravind Somanchi | Parent (Present) |
| 8. | Jim Smith | Parent (Absent) |
| 9. | Whitney Glockner Black | Parent (Present) |
| 10. | Irma Zoepf | Parent (Absent) |
| 11. | Christina Codemo | Parent (Present) |
| 12. | Jessica Bryski | Parent (Present) |

| Agenda Item | Action Requested | Responsible Person(s) | Time Limit |
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| **1. Call the Meeting to Order**<br>*Llamar a la orden la reunión* | Secretary takes notes/ *Secretaria toma apuntes*<br>Meeting called to order at 5:00 pm | Principal | 1 minute |
| **2. Roll Call**<br>*Asistencia* | Read off names of members<br>*Se lee los nombres de los participantes*<br>Mrs. Leonardo takes roll. | Principal | 1 minute |
| **3. Establish A Quorum**<br>*Establecer un quórum* | Count voting members – majority is 51%<br>*Miembros que pueden votar- mayoría 51%*<br>A quorum was established. | Principal | 1 minute |
| **4. Approval of Agenda**<br>*Aprobar la agenda* | Review of the Agenda and Minutes from January 14, 2025<br>*Repasa la agenda y los minutos del mes de enero.*<br>Aravind motions to approve the minutes and agenda. Whitney seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed. | Principal | 2 minutes |
| **5. Needs Assessment: Electives for 2025-26** | Make a decision about Measure U budgeting for electives<br>• Parcel tax dollars; two elective positions, part-time drama and full-time STEAM Teacher.<br>• Prop 28 can not all be used to pay salaries.<br>• Field Trips and Materials are provided with these funds.<br>• Review data-CA Dashboard (data from last school year's state testing), one area we need to work on is Chronic Absenteeism. Have improved since last year. Math is in the Orange and the area we need the biggest improvement.<br>• Student Climate data. We previously reviewed this in December.<br>• What is the data telling us that they want or need?<br>• Review the data and then we will open a discussion for 25-26.<br>• How do we get our students to read at grade level? Gaps-students were in distance learning due to COVID.<br>• Language can be a barrier for Multilingual learners.<br>• Math classes have been working on how to express their answers in writing.<br>• Budget for Measure U for next year $185,000. This year our $60,000 for a part-time drama teacher. We also have our STEAM teacher $11, 355. (Prop 28-88,800)<br>• CZI Grant: $45,000 (we have not received confirmation for next year, potentially ending this year.)<br>• General fund pays for our Art Teachers-1 full-time and 1 part-time & Music Teacher<br>• Parent perspective: The elective program is one of the biggest strengths of Kennedy. | Principal | 40 minutes |

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| | • Ideas: have a class like Applied Arts (or Applied Math) that integrates art and math. Students enjoy creating and applying their learning for the winter concert.<br>• A participant asked about why students have their support class and then ELA one after another. (Primary issue is scheduling)<br>• Due to budget constraints, we introduced Expository Writing and Reading.<br>• Would San Carlos Theatre be a potential option to support the Arts at Kennedy?<br>• Some examples of what we use Measure U for: $10,000 Science for Scientist, $20,000 Marine Science Institute (canoe field trips), $10,000 Chromebook repairs, $17,000 part-time counselors)<br>• For next year, we are discussing/deciding if we have a full-time STEAM teacher or a part-time Drama teacher.<br>• Current STEAM Teacher has approximately 170 students, and the Drama Teacher has 68 students.<br>• $9,000-$12,000 is an approximate cost to collaborate with San Carlos Theatre to have a Musical Production. Other schools in our district work with San Carlos Theatre. At Kennedy, we could use site supplemental pay for this program.<br>• PE Teacher could potentially teach a dance class (as a part of their workday).<br><br>The council spent time discussing the pros and cons of the decision. | | |
| **6. Approval of Measure U Dollars for Electives for 2025-26** | Measure U dollars for 2025-26 can only fund a full-time STEAM teacher or a part-time drama teacher.<br><br>All in favor of prioritizing the STEAM teacher position:<br><br>Yes: 7<br>Nay: 1<br><br>All in favor of prioritzing the drama teacher position:<br><br>Yes: 1<br>Nay: 7 | Principal | 5 minutes |
| **6. Public Input**<br>*Preguntas del público* | Additional comments from anyone.<br>Comentarios del público | Principal | 3 minutes |
| **7. Future SSC meetings**<br>*Reuniones del futuro* | Next meeting is February 12, 2025<br>*La próxima reunión es 12 de febrero de 2025.* | Principal | 1 minute |
| **8. Adjournment**<br>*Cerrar la reunión* | Approval to adjourn the meeting.<br>Aprobar el cierre de la reunión<br><br>Aravind motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m. | Principal | 1 minute |

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| | Katie seconded. | | |