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Notice of School Site Council (SSC) Meeting

SSC meeting on Wednesday November 12, 2025: 3:00pm-4:00pm

Zoom: <https://psusd-us.zoom.us/j/9026043210?pwd=WTg4OEhmYmtMU1lNWmZmbUdYeUJidz09>

Meeting Agenda

- ❖ Call to Order- Dr. Grainger
- ❖ Assignment of duties:

Record keeper: Ms. Lucero Martinez
Meeting facilitator: Dr. Grainger
- ❖ Roll call

Dr. Grainger took role in the absence of Ms. Martinez and memorialized the meeting by taking notes.

Dr. Michael J Grainger – Principal **PRESENT**
Mr. Teddie Rexall-Scott- Teacher **PRESENT**
Mrs. Stacy Brennan- Teacher **PRESENT**
Mrs. Chris Kirov- Teacher **PRESENT**
Mrs. Melissa Ferguson- Teacher **PRESENT**
Ms. Lucero Martinez- Other staff member **ABSENT**
Mr. Benjamin Browning- Parent **PRESENT**
Mrs. Michelle Knight- Parent **PRESENT**
Mrs. Lorena Gallagos- Parent **ABSENT**
Ms. Alissa Steinberg- Student **PRESENT**
Ms. Sara Browning- Student **PRESENT**
Ms. Alejandra Navarette- Student **ABSENT**

❖ **Public comments**

Any members of the public who are in attendance may address SSC at this time.

No members of the public were present during the meeting.

❖ **Approve minutes from previous meeting(s)**

Last School Site Council meeting was on October 8, 2025.

Motion to approve the minutes as written made by Mrs. Ferguson

Seconded by Dr. Grainger. Carried unanimously by members of SSC.

❖ **Meeting agenda items:**

☐ **Review of approved expenditures**

Dr. Grainger

Finalized expenditures were shared with members of SSC. Members were asked if they had any question regarding the finalized expenditures for Title 1, LCFF and Title 1 Parent Involvement. No questions were posed by members.

☐ **Review of SSC elections**

Dr. Grainger

o **Federal guidelines:**

- Principal may not serve as Chairperson
- Students may not serve as Chairperson

o **Nominations for chairperson**

Dr. Grainger explained to council members that according to the guidelines, students and the site principal were not permitted to serve as the council chairperson. Dr. Grainger explained that he had already relayed these guidelines to the student members who were elected to the chairperson and vice-chairperson positions during the October meeting.

Members were asked to self nominate to replace the current student chairperson. No members of council self-nominated. Dr. Grainger nominated Mr. Rexall Scott to serve as SSC chairperson. Motion made to appoint by Mrs. Melissa Ferguson. Motion was seconded by Ms. Sara Browning. Carried unanimously by members of council.

☐ **Review of Uniform Complaint Procedure (UCP)**

Dr. Grainger

- o Please see attached documents: <https://www.psusd.us/Page/4522>

Complaint procedure was reviewed on the PSUSD website with all members of council. English and Spanish forms were also reviewed with members.

☐ **Review of 2025 CAASPP and ELPAC data**

Dr. Grainger

Comprehensive review of Mathematics, Language Arts, and English Learner performance data for the 2025 CAASPP administration were shared with all members of SSC. Proficiency trends were highlighted during the presentation. It was made clear that this data was considered preliminary until the official release on the CA California Department of Education (CDE) dashboard on 11.13.25.

Annual School Site Council training

Dr. Grainger

- o [2025-26 School Site Council Eng-Span.pptx - Google Slides](#)

It was explained that annual SSC training was a requirement for all schools receiving consolidated funds. This included all schools within the Palm Springs Unified School District. The attached slides were presented to all members of SSC. Each slide was summarized, and opportunities were provided for each member to ask questions regarding the slide content.

❖ Member comments

There were no comments from any members of SSC.

❖ Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned by Dr. Grainger at 3:42PM.