

MALIBU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 18, 2024

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Meeting Attendees (Strikethroughs were absent or vacated their seat.):

- ~~Melissa Solano, Site Council /Parent~~
- Kelsey McKinnon, Site Council Rep/Parent
- Heather Alfano, Site Council President/Parent
- ~~Erin Garner, Site Council Rep/Parent~~
- Sharon Thompson, Site Council Rep/Parent
- ~~Yvette Kleiser, Site Council Rep/Teacher~~
- Angela Whitman, Site Council Rep/Teacher
- Jennifer Owhadi, Site Council Secretary /Parent
- Chris Hertz, Site Council Rep/MES Principal
- ~~Diane Sullivan, Site Council Rep/MES Administration~~
- Community Members- Jake Lingo

II. Welcome and Opening Remarks

The meeting was called to order when quorum was reached at 3:35

III. Public Comments

No public comments

IV. Approve draft [March 7, 2024 Minutes](#) / Action

Heather made a motion to approve, and Kelsey seconded the motion. There was no discussion, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

V. Old Business

a. [24-25 DRAFT SPSA](#) - Review and Vote to Approve

The council reviewed the goals and the plan as listed in the link above. Kelsey asked about restorative justice and Mr. Hertz explained briefly. He mentioned that training may be an issue for this to be rolled out next year. Some of the members would like to know more information about restorative justice and would like that to not be included in the plan until there is more info. Chris made a motion to approve without the restorative justice piece, Sharon moved to approve the plan and Heather seconded the motion. All were in favor. Jennifer mentioned that Ali Moses would be willing to come and do an assembly for the school about dispute resolution next year.

b. [24-25 SIP](#) - Progress Under Way (Mostly need to add dates to all activities) –

The council reviewed the SIP

c. Bond to rebuild MES - [Architects Visit](#) - Review Information

There is not a lot of new information.

d. Ask the City to fund an SRO & Underwrite the Cost of Security Officer ([Letter](#))-

Jake Lingo read the draft public statement that was prepared on behalf of the school site council for their review and approval. He discussed all resources he contacted to research this issue. He stated that the district may not allow for the hiring of an SRO but may approve perimeter private security. He would like to reach out to the city council for help with funding this project. Heather made a motion and a second from Sharon to approve the letter. It was opened for discussion and Kelsey asked whether Santa Monica schools had SRO's and it was stated that they do have SRO's. Kelsey asked that we add that to the letter. Heather made an amended motion to approve with adding the verbiage about Santa Monica Schools having SROs. Sharon seconded the motion and all approved.

VI. New Business

- a. Form Election Sub Committee: Form an Election Committee to lead the election process in accordance with the [Bylaws \(page 2-3\)](#). (Exhibits: [Sample Nomination Form](#), [Sample Self-Nomination Form](#), [Sample Ballot](#)) ([SSC Membership Chart](#)) –

There are three vacancies for next year. The nomination committee was selected for the election comprising of Kelsey, Jennifer and Heather. Mr. Hertz will put information in his newsletter and the election will take place next month.

- b. What extracurriculars do you want to see at MES that PTA can fund? “Think First Principles”

The teacher leadership team felt that including regular science in the day would be beneficial. Heather suggested Spanish/foreign language. Kelsey suggested that we do some of these things after school. Sharon said that STEM is already part of the curriculum and would be helpful to have another instructor to implement. Mr. Hertz talked to Kim Brown about possibly coming on board to teach science. It was discussed the possibility of doing Spanish for the younger kids and heavier science for the older kids. The SSC discussed the possibility again of having Spanish after school on Fridays and partnering with SSC. Jennifer suggested that Spanish could continue for the older students after school and offered to the younger students during the day. The SSC will continue this discussion at next meeting.

VII. Recommendations/Reflections/Calendar Notes

VIII. Adjournment

Heather made a motion to adjourn and Angela seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 5:05

Next meeting: May 9 (Draft Agenda: SSC Parent Elections)