



TORRANCE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
MAGRUDER MIDDLE SCHOOL

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School Site Council

January 29, 2024
3:30 pm - [Virtual - Zoom](#)

Chairperson: Mrs. Blain
Secretary: Maria Cuadros Solis

School Site Council Members:

Keely Hardage/Sue Key, Principal/Interim
Maria Cuadros-Solis - Assistant Principal
(*absent*)
Laura Fischer - Librarian
Carmen Fraga - ELD Coordinator
Jongwoo Roh - Science Teacher
Donna DaVanzo - Math Teacher

Carissa Baumhart - Parent
Yoko Mack - Parent
Tyra Sheed - Parent (*absent*)
Jace Blain - 6th Grade Student Rep.
Melissa Mack - 7th Grade Student Rep.
Muhammad Amjad - 8th grade Student Rep.

Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 3:32 p.m.

- Review and Approval of Minutes ([October 2023](#)). Laura Fischer motioned to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Mrs. Blain.

Old Business

- School Site Council - Title 1 Parent Advisory Committee (Yoko Mack): Scheduled twice a year, Wednesdays at 10:00 am via Zoom - Tue, 12/12
- Share out by Mrs. Mack
 - Title 1 funding is less and moving forward. we need to decide the programs we want to keep and what we would like to put money into. Mental health, counseling and more if not better.
 - List of pandemic support programs are expiring including extended day learning, summer slide and reading, summer accelerated learning, school connectedness, HS credit recovery, enrichment program, and intramural sports. Encouraged to be the voice of school sites.
 - Prioritize programs we need to keep or do we want to create something new?
 - Mrs. Mack - more ELA/ELD, science and math.
 - Discussion on better forms of communication - concern about timeliness of communication out from the district, general announcements to families: event notification (specific to certain school sites), websites postings. There was an overall expressed need for more information.
 - Muhammad - reviewed all websites - inquired about a web update
 - Baumhart - some emails end up in spam/junk. Subject line?
 - Blain - GATE session communication - reminder emails. Suggested on reminder texts or emails to increase commitment. Google attendance and Google Classroom
 - Fischer - reminders - call slips with a meeting in the Cafe before students went to their class. GATE students can create a Google website and add reminders.



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- Baumhart - Student Council has a Google Classroom page which is updated with important information
 - TAP cards was an example of a site specific communication gap.
 - PowerSchool - questionnaire during registration - social emotional survey and referral.
 - look at TUSD mental wellness screener wording.
 - 3/13 - next Title 1 meeting - Dr. McDowell would like feedback.
- School Site Council - District Communication Committee Representative (Carissa Baumhart) Scheduled on Wednesdays, four times a year at 10:00 am, via Zoom
 - report out 10/25 and 12/13
 - next meetings 2/21, 4/24

New Business:

[SPSA Updates](#) and [Budget Updates](#)

Motion to approve the \$250 Boy Leadership Lunch Club - snacks - Ms. DaVanzo motioned to approve, Second by Armita Blain

- Butterfly Club - only for girls - boundaries, how to say No, bullying/mean girls, safe space for female physical development conversations, student led topics, after school luncheon/etiquette, potluck, cultural influences.
- Boys Leadership Club - 11-14 students, every Friday, currently building student relationships. Topics: perspectives (students, adults), anger management and anxiety, safe space, reward is playing basketball during AMP

[Magruder MS 2023 CA School Dashboard Overview](#)

[Magruder's Comprehensive Safety Plan](#) (Maria). Amita approves the safety plan, second by Carissa. Review/feedback and approval

[Future Mustang Virtual Parent Night](#) - Tomorrow night 1/30 5:00 pm via Zoom
PTSA slides - reach out Leslie for information

Open Forum

- Porush's request for sponsorship to purchase chairs - include his fundraiser in school communication. Chairs and other equipment - check with Dr. Hardage about the original request. If we have excess funds - allocating it back for Porush's classroom.
- Ms. Blain - PE Clothes - lost/stolen uniforms, suggestion to add a blank field for names.
 - Suggestion of camera position towards the cubbies.
- Communication for clubs - band or remind app for reminders
- SOMA assembly - increase school spirit - send out text!
- Planners - 6th only. 7th and 8th by request/option. Cost and use by students. Send an email to 6th and 7th-grade families. Survey interest in purchase by families. PTSA Student Store.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 pm.

Upcoming Meetings:

- April 22nd
- June 3rd