

## **School Site Council – 9/14/2023**

**Attended:** Principal Tedd Wakeman (TW), Amy Stark (AS), DeeDee Cooper (DC), Peri Monte (PM), Chad Peters (CP), Sarah Epstein (SE), Vicky Farrell (VF)

**Absent:** Dayna Walley, Heather Pitz

### **NOTES**

Introductions

Discussion of safety plan and email with Tedd's responses

TW: Explained how Webster was a small school and does not have enough staff to fill all positions during an emergency or for position outlined in the safety plan

TW: Spoke to Chris Hertz at MES about having an on-site security person on staff but it remains a funding issue; Isaac is aware of the concern

TW: Deputy Lee is our assigned liaison from the Lost Hills Sheriff station

TW: Many meetings with the Sheriff deputy were canceled

CP: Inquired as to when the Malibu satellite office is opening

TW: The meeting with the Sheriff is to do a walk-around, have general discussions, and setup some potential assemblies

Discussion about communication to the community in the event of an incident/threat

TW: Will only communicate a serious situation if absolutely necessary and effects kids at Webster to avoid a panic situation

Discussion about the field trip incident at the Getty last year (involving other Malibu schools)

SE: Did not like the way district was not transparent about the actual incident and did not provide direct details about it to parents

VF: Asked about the plan in the event of a wildfire

TW: Feels wildfires do not happen quickly; kids can be evacuated on to the Webster field as well as the concrete area; Pepperdine is always a walkable option

SE: Asked if there was an evacuation, and parents are unable to get to the kids, is there a plan in place for the remaining children?

TW: Said he would stay, and likely other teachers who are able to

AS: Mentioned this has happened in the past and numerous teachers stayed

Discussion of field trip protocols

TW: Field trip plans would depend on the specific venue and the safety practices of that venue

CP: Asked if kids are to be taken back to the bus

DC: Reiterated that regardless of the situation, staff at Webster would make the best decisions they can based on the information they have

DC: Had a question about the budget for School Site Council and whether the council is in charge of the funds set aside to meet the SPSA goals

Brief discussion about the budget, process and last year's budget

TW: Mentioned that there is a group of dads that want to do maker-type activities

VF: Mentioned the formation of a new Makers of Pepperdine group; will send Tedd the contact information following the meeting

TW: Told an anecdote about a time he taught PE and spoke about how different individuals have unique skill sets that help them create curriculum/programs

TW: Believes that with "Maker" type stuff---there are individuals who just have an attraction for this type of activity

Discussion about finding somebody to run the STEAM lab

TW: Website received Prop 28 money, earmarked for the arts

VF: Mentioned that per discussions with the PTA last year, there was enough in reserves for 1 year for a maker person

DC: Prefers that the person running the STEAM lab would be a credentialed teacher or long term substitute

AS: mentioned Kim Brown who previously taught science at MES; Tedd to reach out to her

TW: Use of Chat GPT to apply for grants

SE: Suggested maybe exploring grants from big tech companies

TW: Would love a full time person for the lab (from a media, digital literacy, etc. perspective)

CP: spoke about interviews he participated at at USC over the summer at their new technology related school

SE: Question regarding the open safety plan questions, and whether somebody should look at the schedule of the patchwork of people, are there backups?

TW: Certain people cannot be the only person or the main person for certain jobs, certain people were slotted in as secondary

SE: Asked about onsite security

TW: Explained it is in the hands of the district

DC: Asked about what happens once the request is made with the district

DC: Discussion of the back wall/fence and the concern for security there

TW: Feels all of the district workers are overwhelmed and he does not know their prioritization process; used an analogy of crossing a pond jumping from lily pad to lily pad

DC: asked if we can get more involved - are teachers and parents able to show up at board meetings? (Tedd encouraged such involvement)

TW: Regarding the back fence, suggested speaking with Carey Upton or Wade Major

TW: Wade was successful in getting the curb in front redone/fixed

TW: Spoke about his presentation at the principal's meeting on Tuesday

CP: Mentioned he heard positive feedback from multiple parents regarding Tedd's presentation, but this is from the ice cream social

SE: Asked if repairs to the back fence can be made and then reimbursed?

DC, TW: advised no and that the repairs may even get taken down without prior authorization

CP: Shared how in high school, the students raised money to repaint the school, only to have the district paint it back to the original color

VF: Asked who has to authorize the fence/wall rebuild

Several answered that approval must come from Carey Upton

All sign off on safety plan (hard copy and digitally)

CP: Mentions a running club; it would take place before school on Fridays. Asked if this can be a drop-off activity

TW: There would need to be waivers or contracts

CP: Cassidy is the parent spearheading the running club; competition with MES possibly

VF: asked about the FBI, meditation, yoga classes that certain parents offered last year

VF to follow up with those parents

VF: asked about global school projects (e.g. Botswana)

Discussion of various thematic projects

TW: Boys and Girls Club is trying to do something with the art space in the Malibu Country Mart plaza place in the Country mart plaza

End of meeting