

MCKINLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
2401 Santa Monica Boulevard
Santa Monica, CA 90404

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL (SITE GOVERNANCE) MEETING MINUTES
December 10, 2024
3:15 PM

Present: Erin Buckley Burnett, Ryan Dinshaw, David Edwards, Ling Phansavath, LaShawn Moore, Daniela Wiener, Jonathan Wong

Absent: Jaime Botello, Gabriela Carstroem, Juan Matute

Guests: Amanda Sherman, Ashley Zartner

Meeting Called to Order:

Meeting was called to order at 3:17pm via Zoom meeting.

Welcome

Approve Agenda: Ms. Buckley Burnett requested to move Item 5 to the beginning of the agenda. **Agenda approved as amended.**

Approval of Minutes: Nov 12, 2024 minutes approved as presented.

LCAP Goal 1 (Math): Dr. Wiener and Ms. Sherman provided an overview of the Activity 1.5. highlighting the state Math Framework and the school's focus on using academic language to construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others, making sure math education is equitable, and framing tasks in an open-ended manner that allows students apply prior knowledge. Ms. Sherman highlighted engagement activities such as the Berkeley initiative that highlights ways of engaging students, and providing parent math education workshops.

Dr. Wiener presented details on Activity 1.7, 1.9, and 2.6 based on the presented slides shared with members. Members asked and discussed several issues:

- Mr. Dinshaw asked for more details on how we might see evidence that initiatives for Activity 1.5 are effective at meeting LCAP goals. Mr. Edwards clarified that these are engagement strategies that don't directly address score improvement, but enhance understanding and makes direct instruction more effective; they are gateways to direct instruction that does impact scores.
- Dr. Wong asked about how much time these initiatives for Activity 1.5 need to take effect and how that might impact SSC's evaluation of whether to continue, change, and cease the activity. Ms. Phansavath and Dr. Wiener noted that seeing efficacy make take time depending on student background.
- SSC members discussed obstacles to greater home usage of DreamBox and Lexia for Activity 2.6. Ms. Buckley Burnett suggested surveying parents to identify challenges to

logging on to these applications at home. Members also discussed the potential of making such applications more central to homework; Mr. Edwards noted that this may have external impacts as students matriculate to Lincoln Middle School since Franklin and Roosevelt Elementary Schools have different approaches to assigning homework.

LCAP Goal 2 (SEL): Dr. Wiener continued describing LCAP Goal 2 Activities 3.9-3.14. SSC members discussed the challenges of evaluating the efficacy of activities towards meeting goals. Evaluating activities throughout the year may not give activities time to mature; evaluating activities at the end of the year may create a large workload. Dr. Wiener and Dr. Wong will review SPSA evaluation framework to identify activities that could be feasibly evaluated in stride and activities that require longer evaluation periods.

School Implementation Plan: Dr. Wiener reviewed SIP and the school's emphasis on communicating through precise academic language; this manifests itself in math instruction most easily, but is applicable more widely. Dr. Wiener reviewed CAASPP data and noted the difficulty of forming generalizable conclusions from a limited population size.

Public Comment: No members of the public were present.

Agenda Setting: Members decided to review LCAP Goals 1 and 2 for its next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned:

Meeting was adjourned at 4:32pm.

Submitted by Jonathan Wong, SSC Secretary