

**School Site Council**  
**John Adams Middle School**  
**Minutes: April 25, 2024**

Call to order 4:06

Joined in-person: Martha Chacon, Laurel Cohn, Gabrielle Hernandez, Katherine Newall  
Joined online: Anne Watts, Stefanie Schwartz, Ms. Nario, Jennifer Metcalfe, Su-Lyn Combs, Charity Burton, Nancy Gutierrez

**Agenda**

- 1) Call the Meeting to Order
- 2) Adopt Previous Meeting Minutes from 2/22/2024
- 3) Parent Involvement and Review and Approve Parent Engagement Policy and Compact
- 4) CA Distinguished School Award
- 5) Title 1 funding update
- 6) SPSA goal #1
- 7) SPSA goal #2
- 8) Vacancies and Elections
- 9) Public Comments
- 10) Future Items
- 11) Adjourn Meeting

**Parent Compact**

Parents notified if child is in intervention  
Share information on Back to School Night  
Review every year  
Annual workshops  
EL Meetings 4 times a year instead of twice  
School information reports provided to families either online or in-person  
Parents invited to be part of SSC, ELAC and PTSA  
18.8% Chronic Absenteeism

**Martha Chacon, Motion to Adopt Title 1 School Parent Compact Parent Engagement Policy and Family Policy for 2024-25 School Year**

- Charity Burton seconds the motion
- Vote carries, all in favor to pass

## **CA Distinguished School Award**

- Overall high scores
- Significantly closed the achievement gap
- English Language Learner Progress in the blue
- English Language Learners Progress increased by 18%
- Maintained growth in English Language Arts
- Grew by 16% in Math
- Reduction in suspension rates by 2.9%
- Increased chronic absenteeism from 2022-23 school year
- Chronic absenteeism 18.8%; increased by 1.6%

**Invite Santa Monica Big Blue Bus to Pick Up Your Stuff Day at the beginning of the year for 2024-25!! Talk about free student bus passes, etc.**

## **Title 1 Funding Update**

- Specifically for Title 1 students
- Guaranteed \$10,000 to support ELCAP Goals
- Lottery funds
- Ed Foundation pays for people
- PTSA pays for things such as classroom supplies/materials
- Prop 28 Funds fund 80% arts for people and 20% pays for Visual and Performing Arts supplies
- \$474,600 Title 1 Funding for 2024-25 school year
- 339 kids on free and reduced lunch
- LCAP (Local Control Agency)

## **LCAP Goal 1**

- All graduating students are socially just and ready for a career
- EL students 33.6 points below standard
- EL students declined by 10.2 points
- Disabled students 70 points below standard
- Disabled students maintained by 2.5 points
- Hispanic group 1.7 points above standard
- Social economically challenged groups 10 points below standard but increased by 6.3 points from last year

## **Math scores**

- Students with disabilities 100 points below standard, but increased by 21.2 points from last year
- ELs 77.1 points below standard, but increased by 7 points
- African American students increased 22.1 points
- Hispanic students increased 16.8 points

Scrapped DIWA and instead are going back to IAB

\$14,000 to support reading and writing materials  
Ask PTA for \$14,000 to support the school and materials  
\$6,000 for professional development  
Math coach costs \$100,000  
Intervention during advisory will continue  
Continue with structured talk and doing learning rounds  
Collaboration time for teachers and professional development  
Continue with AVID (college and career readiness) \$10,000 (136 kids in AVID)  
Digital Dragon to support Engineering Class \$20,000 (280 kids in Engineering)

## **Goal 2**

- ELs become proficient in English
- ELs students receive
- Bilingual instruction cost \$30,000
- District provides Ms. Buccioni and JAMS needs to provide another support teacher
- ELPAC support during advisory
- Professional development and conferences around structured academic talking
- Less teacher talk and more student talk, need to work on making it more academically structured
- Lots of work needed in the listening aspect of ELPAC
- If approved by the district buy Listen Wise to help students pass the listening section of the ELPAC

## **Martha Chacon: Motion to Approve Goal 1, all graduates are socially just and ready for a career**

- Reading Co-Teacher at \$80,000
- Material to support reading and writing at \$14,000 will ask PTSA and if approved money goes to support the stretch grant
- Summer work for teachers at \$6,000 for reading and writing
- Professional Development at \$3,000
- Continual support for math and will use Title 1 funding to pay for a Math Coach at \$100,000
- Materials or site license for math \$4,000 go to PTSA if approved it can go to the void in the stretch grant
- Professional Development and Conferences for the School Year at \$4,000
- AVID Tutors \$10,000
- Digital Dragon to support game design in Engineering Class at \$25,000

**In conclusion total to support Goal 1 is \$246,000**

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Katherine Newall seconds the motion

All opposed, motion denied by unanimous vote

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Jennifer Metcalfe seconds the motion

Voted unanimously in favor and motion moves to pass

**Martha Chacon Goal 2 to support English Language Learners**

- Bilingual Instructional Assistant at \$30,000
- Co-teachers for English co-taught classes at \$20,000
- Professional Development & Conferences at \$3,000
- Structured student talk PD at \$1,000
- Teacher EI Summer Work at \$4,000
- Professional Development for integrated ELD in all subject areas at \$1,000
- Materials for EL support - Listenwise at \$2,000

**Total of \$61,000 to support Goal 2 for English Language Learners**

Nancy Gutierrez seconds the motion

Voted unanimously in favor and motion moves to pass

Next meeting May 30, 2024

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.