

John Adams Middle School  
**School Site Council Minutes**  
Thursday, September 29, 2022  
4:00 – 5:30 p.m.  
Conference Room 13

Compiled by Katherine Newall

Members Present: Martha Chacon (Principal), Katherine Newall (Parent), Nancy Gutierrez (certificated), Laura Hernandez (Parent + DLAC President), Valerie Nario (certificated), Kearia Finnell (Classified staff), Zakiya (Parent + JAMS PTA President), Charity Burton (parent)  
Meeting is called to order at 4:08 pm.

Katherine turned the meeting over to Martha  
Martha asked everyone to introduce themselves

Martha shared the focus on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion  
Litmus Test

- Is it good for Kids?
- Is the benefit for some kids at the expense of BIPOC kids?
- Is it Sustainable?

Overview of Site Council

- The make-up of site council - parents, teachers and administration and other staff to help develop the School Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)
  - Short one teacher
  - Short one parent (Blaine Pope TBC if he can participate)
  - Opportunity to focus school efforts on equity and access.
  - The school site council develops, annually reviews and updates the SPSA
- Seven Steps for Developing the SPSA
  - Analyze Student Achievement
  - Measure effectiveness of current strategies
  - Identify
  - Define
  - Recommend
  - Implement
  - Monitor
- Functions of School Plan Development and Implementation
  - School site Council
  - Governing Board approves or disapproves the plan
  - District school/Administration
  - School Community - Martha really wants to make sure we can incorporate Student member. We need to confirm we can add.

- Bylaw Review - share the bylaws with the committee to review and we will update the bylaws at next month's meeting
- CAASPP Data
  - First data in 2 years. The last time students took the CAASPP was in 2018-2019
    - ELA Overall Data Increase of 3%
    - Literacy coach is now 50% of the time at JAMS and 50% at SAMOHI
    - JAMS has over the last few years focused on Reading Intervention
    - STAR reading programs support students. Ms. Nario explained the STAR program. Four bands of support.
    - Martha has said a focus needs to be on Tier 1 & 2 instruction
    - Zakiya had suggested that the 5th grade teachers and 6th grade teachers are collaborating to make sure they are preparing the students to know what is to come. Zakiya suggested four times a year to check in. What are the expectations of the incoming students. What can the 6th grade teachers prepare the 5th grade teachers to "ensure students are learning"
    - MATH - 6th grade a bit of a drop but 7th and 8th grade increased
      - Overall decrease of 1%
  - SLT (Site Leadership Team)
    - LCAP Three district goals
      - All Students are ready for college and careers
      - English Learners will become proficient in English while engaging in a rigorous, standards-aligned curriculum in the core content areas.
      - All Students engage in schools that are safe, well maintained and family-friendly.

Focus for SLT Goal 1 and 2

- Depth of Knowledge and questioning strategies with Tier II academic vocabulary.

Future Meetings - Next meeting is October 27. No meeting in November. December 12th.  
Confirm that our meetings do not conflict with LCAP meetings

Future Agenda items

- Bylaws review
- Election officers
- Open Forum
  - Charity mentioned the need for sanitary products in the bathrooms. Martha said they are not in the bathrooms. Charity's is a Girl Scout Troop and they are going to be donating products to school.
    - Can they put the products with the security guard by the girls bathroom in the 80s building. It was suggested to make mention of the free and available products in PE classes to the girls
    - Product

- underwear
  - In Ziploc school
- Adjourn 5:35pm