



SANTA MONICA - MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC)

School: Santa Monica High School
Date of ELAC meeting: November 22, 2021

Members present: Sign in sheet. Mandated Topics: (Check the topic(s) covered)

X	1. Assist in the development of school-wide need assessment
	2. Assist with efforts to make parents aware of the importance of regular school attendance
X	3. Advise the principal and staff in the development of a site plan for ELs and submit plan to the school council for consideration of inclusion in the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA)
	4. Receives training to assist members in carrying out their legal responsibilities
X	5. Elect representative(s) for the District English Learner Advisory Committee

I Meeting was called to order at: 6:35 pm

II Attendance: Norberto Montes, Ana Martinez, Ninfa Hernandez, Nilda Suazo, Lucy Prieto, Nargiza Janabay, Claudia Garcia, Yolanda Perez, Corina Gutierrez, Roxana Gonzalez, Lorena Villafana, Gaby Cardenas, Marcelina Garcia, Tristan Komlos, Dr. Antonio Shelton, Johanna De La Rosa, **Ashley Mejia (SMC)**

III Meeting Minutes: Minutes were available but they were not read an approved at this meeting, no quorum at this moment

IV Membership: All of our parents/families of ELs can be members of ELAC others who do not have EL students can be voted in but must have a student presently enrolled at SAMOHI. Mrs. Suazo called a vote for membership, all in attendance accepted to be members, no one opposed. Mrs. Suazo remains the ELAC president for this school year. Mrs. Ninfa Hernandez remains the Vice President, Mrs. Aida Pichardo remains the Secretary, Mrs. Claudia remains the Alternate DELAC Representative.

V Resignation & Appointment: Laura Hernandez resigned as the DELAC Representative on October 18th, her resignation was accepted. We are in need of a new DELAC Representative for this school year. Please consider taking the position. No one was appointed at this meeting for this position.

VI ELAC Mandated Topic(s): **Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA=Needs Assessment)**, Members were presented by principal Dr. Antonio Shelton (PP available on our website) the current SPSA budget and opportunities for SAMOHI ELs and other students:
Flex Time, meeting with teachers, tutoring-Paper, library hours, Star testing 3 times a year, ELPAC practice tests
Dr. Shelton reminds parents that he wants the kids of color in our school should be enrolling in the AP courses and higher level math classes, parents should talk to their kids, some times the students do not want to and they do not try. Summer Boot Camp is offered for students who enroll in AP English and will add one for math if kids show interest. Please email him.



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- VII ELAC Discussion/ Recommendation:** As a result of the presentation, the ELAC committee proposed tutoring, preparation for the ELPAC and other resources that will ensure the success of the EL students at our school*. Our EL team Adrienne, Tristan and Johanna created a Flex Time series to support and encourage our students the value of their EL experience. A symposium was also presented in October to families and students to provide information about the EL program and supports at SAMOHI. Starbucks gift cards were awarded to a total of 9 students for all the sessions; the plan is to collaborate closely with students to help understand their EL level, how to reclassify, and use the resources. All families in attendance WON a \$10 gift card. Ninfa Hernandez mentioned she is happy to hear that SAMOHI is including the Flex Time sessions as a way to support students and please continue. *Recommendation submitted by ELAC Pres. Nilda Suazo.
- Attendance:** Mrs. Komlos promotes the importance of attending school consistently; it is a critical part of learning. Students who attend school regularly are more successful in school, become more engaged, access content best and essentially will advocate for themselves best. Because attendance is important we decided to offer attendance credit to students who attend these ELAC meetings. This was explained to students in the Flex Time presentations. Ms. De La Rosa wants families to know how to report absences correctly. Please communicate with her to get help.
- VIII DELAC Report:** *No report at this time- Claudia Garcia the alternate DELAC representative is no longer available in the mornings to attend the DELAC meetings only if the time is changed to the evening. Due to the resignation of Mrs. Hernandez we currently have a vacancy for DELAC representative.*
- IX Announcements:** College Applications at College Center. NO MEETING in December. Next meeting is January 31. 6:30 p.m. Johanna Will be available at 6:00 to speak to parents about senior year or any other topics. All presentations are made available on our website. Please consider being an officer in the ELAC committee, your contribution is so valuable. Also, please look at the presentation for all of the programs and resources available.
- X Public Comments:** Some parents do not get the school announcements; parents are suggested to check with the school what home language is checked off for communication and also if their information is current; please contact Ms. De La Rosa, but some parents are getting the messages. Please invite others to attend meetings and workshops.
- Claudia Garcia mentioned that she heard about the Auto shop class and wishes her son could take the class. Dr. Shelton responds that if students show interest he would add another class. Ashley Mejia was visiting from SMC inviting our members to check out the Adult Education classes available at SMC.
- XI The meeting was adjourned at: 7:47 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted by: Johanna De La Rosa, BCL on behalf of Secretary Aida Pichardo

Not yet approved