

**Malibu HS  
School Site Council Minutes  
February 17, 2022**

Present:

Adam Almeida  
Sean Ryan  
Katherine Kennedy  
Makenna Samsel  
Soniya Perl  
Anna Deshautelle  
Linn Griffin  
Sophia O'Brien  
Bella Howe  
Bonnie Thoreson  
Kellye McKinna  
Nancy Levy

Meeting began at 3:45.

Sean Ryan moved to approve the minutes. Sophia O'Brien seconded.

Minutes from 1.20 approved with all in favor.

Adam Almeida gave an update on upcoming events at MHS and Makenna Samsel gave an update on testing. Soniya gave a PTSA update. Feminine products have been delivered from the PTSA to the school for bathrooms.

Anna gave us an update on SPSA goals in Special Education. There's a life skills garden that kids have been working on, including science and math (and looking for relevancy in real life are important), and reading plays.

Bonnie Thoreson gave us a report on being the EL Lead and described the makeup of classes in which she has English Learners. The goal is for 75% of students to move up to the next level. Currently, the District has set a goal that has been difficult for students to meet in order to reclassify. Dr. Almeida said he would work with Bonnie to figure out a way to get more communication going with the District and other EL Leads.

Sophia O'Brien and Bella Howe provided a Student Voice update. There were not many updates (good or bad) besides students being pleased with lunch options.

Kathy Kennedy shared the letter she wrote to legislators regarding shortening the school day by 30 minutes daily. We may wait for the Challenge for Success in April conference to see what the outcome of that meeting is. We'll all look over the letter prior to the next meeting and bring questions/thoughts.

We discussed Support Periods and how they might be used to the students' advantage. A survey of students revealed that 88.4% use that time to do homework. Students were very positive about being able to have a support period in their day. Many would like to be able to start sports practice sooner during support if possible. The staff is looking at recreating the vision of the use of support. Kathy shared that support is difficult for many Special Education students due to being tired at the end of the day. Sean Ryan suggested creating a teacher survey to find out how teachers spend that time during support. Sophia mentioned that music theory is 7th period because many kids already have two electives. It would be nice if classes could meet during support instead of before school 4 days a week from 7:20-8:25 a.m.

ELAC and National Honor Society were tabled for next month when Mr. Miller is able to be present.

Meeting officially adjourned at 4:42 p.m.