Natomas Unified School District School Site Council (SSC)

School: American Lakes	Meeting Date: 9/17/2020
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Council Members Present: (check if present)	
Chair X Co-Chair X Secretary X	
Quorum present:yes	
Thomas Dickinson, Principal	/icel Garcia, Parent
Fred Lavell, Certificated Staff	Edis Fall, Parent
Stephen Smith, Certificated Staff L	isa Wells, Parent
Juliane Link-Oberstar, Certificated Staff S	Sunday Ikenador, Parent
Jessica Ebert, Classified staff L	auren Rose, Parent

Community Members

T. E. Wells, parent Ana Herera (Translator)

The meeting was called to order at 4:20 pm

Welcome new SSC members:

Lisa Wells-Parent
Lauren Rose-Parent
Sunday Ikenador-Parent
Juliane Link-Oberstar. Teacher

Introduction of returning SSC members

Yicel Garcia-Parent
Edis Fall-Parent
Fred Lavell-Teacher
Stephen Smith-Teacher
Jessica Ebert-Classified Staff
Tom Dickinson-Principal

Vote for Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary

Nominations were taken for chairperson, Stephen Smith nominated Fred Lavell for chairperson, seconded by Edis Fall. Nine votes in favor and 1 abstaining. Fred Lavell reelected as Chairperson.

Nominations taken for Vice Chair. Sunday Ikenador nominated Stephen Smith for Vice Chair, second

by Jessica Ebert. Tom nominated Sunday Ikenador, seconded by Edis Fall. Stephen Smith declined his nomination. Vote for Sunday Ikenador: 9 in favor, 1 abstaining. Sunday Ikenador elected as Vice Chairperson.

Tom Dickinson nominated Juliane Link-Oberstar for Secretary, seconded by Jessica Ebert. Vote for Juliane secretary 9 in favor, 1 abstaining. Juliane Link-Oberstar reelected as Secretary.

Calendar

Meetings will be held the 2nd Thursday of each month, agreed upon by the council. The meeting in April will be moved to the 3rd Thursday due to Spring Break the second week in April. The dates for the year are as follows:

October 8th, November 12th, December 10th, January 14th, February 11th, March 11th, April 15th (3rd Thursday due to Spring Break), possibly May 13th.

Overview of SPSA presented:

CSI \$97,000 money rolled over from last year, due to the pandemic, must be spent this year Title 1- \$102,250 (Free and reduced lunch program)

LCFF \$69, 229 Local Control Funding Formula (Money with the least restrictions)

The budget was reviewed via shared screen. Tom will email it to council members next week.

Tom discussed big item purchases:

- another 50 iPads, carts, and covers.
- -IB training staff pay for completing the training (the District paid IB for the training fee for all teachers)
- -Staff compensation for creation of Inquiry Lessons (IB/STEM)

Concern expressed that when we invest in the IB program training and lesson development, and then teachers leave, our students don't benefit from the money invested. Principal noted that this current year was the lowest turnover in teachers in recent years and that he would be looking to hire people who already have IB training in the future.

A parent suggested that teachers might benefit from an extra monitor to use with Zoom classes so they can more easily see their whole class. Tom will look into this.

Timeline of the SPSA

First Draft to the district office Oct. 5th

SSC meeting Oct. 8th-draft sent to the council prior to the meeting to review

There will need to be an extra meeting in Oct. Date to be determined.

Needs to be signed off by SSC by Oct. 23rd

Sent to NUSD School Board for review Oct 30th

School Board approves at the Nov. 18th meeting

Even after approved, this remains a living document that can be adjusted throughout the year.

Construction Update

- -As of today, construction is on schedule
- -Tom working on:
 - -Scoreboards
 - -Basketball rims
 - -Classroom furniture-middle school classroom and rooms in the gym
 - -Safety procedure for when students return to campus

Questions and Concerns:

A parent council member asked if the school could update the school water fountains. Tom noted that all water fountains will be off limits when students return and water bottle refill water stations have been added instead.

Hand sanitizer dispensers have been added to campus as well.

A parent asked about the school food program and the application qualifying criteria. Ms. Ebert shared that the criteria changes from year to year and the cutoff is not publicized. If income has changed, the parent can reapply at any time during the school year. Currently the seamless Summer meal program has been extended to provide free meals. Families need to reapply once this program expires.

Tom commented that if anyone has suggestions or questions to please reach out to him. Also, if there are any students/families in need please reach out and the school will help.

The meeting was adjourned by the Chairperson at 5:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliane Link-Oberstar

Teacher/SSC member