

Sunset Palms Elementary School
School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
December 6, 2023
Media Center
2:30 p.m.

Members in attendance: Misty Alonso, Jeffrey Bergazoli, Diane Freedman, Christine Fordham, Tanya Gutierrez, Tami Marcus, Nicole Oden, Michelle Nath, Cathy Peterson, Karen Riddle, Yrianna Torres Santiago, Risa Shiman

Called to order at 2:31 p.m. (Cathy Peterson, SAC Chairperson)

Approval of Meeting Minutes from November 8, 2023

The Meeting Minutes from November 8, 2023 were reviewed by the membership. Tanya Gutierrez moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Michelle Nath. All voting members were in favor. None opposed or abstained. The motion was unanimously approved.

Principal's Report (Karen Riddle, Principal)

Mrs. Riddle reported a change in staff. Coach Blake-Wade is retiring. Coach Mack is taking over as full time PE coach. Matt Sloane will be taking over the part-time PE position. Mrs. Riddle gave a report on FAST components and qualifications for maintaining "A" school status. A discussion was held regarding the impact of the school's grade on the community as a whole. Progress reports will be available on SIS end of December. FAST testing continues this week. Scores to come home approximately 2 days after testing is complete. State released new cut scores recently. Score criteria is more rigorous. Chorus concert will be held on Friday, December 8th.

FAST PM 2 (Justin Gamelin, Assistant Principal)

Mr. Gamelin reported that testing is taking a long time. All testing is on the computer. This year 5th grade Science is now computer based. Students will take as much time as needed to complete the test per current state guidelines.

Results of National PTA School of Excellence Program Survey (Yrianna Torres, SPE PTA Vice-President)

Mrs. Torres presented a summary of the results of the survey and explained the impact on the school with respect to earning a School of Excellence designation. Of 984 students enrolled, there were 66 participants in the survey (compared to 15 last year). Overall, the results were very positive. Mrs. Torres identified opportunities for

improvement and welcomed ideas on how to improve in the low areas. A discussion was held on how to increase participation in the survey going forward.

Request for agenda items for next meeting (Cathy Peterson, SAC Chairperson)

No items were proposed.

Mrs. Riddle mentioned a meeting will need to be held after school grades are released to review and approve the A recognition ballot.

Next Meeting-

Wednesday, January 9th, 2024 at 2:30

Tanya Gutierrez moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Charles.

Meeting adjourned at **3:13 p.m.**