



# Frederiksen Elementary School

## School Site Council Meeting

Minutes from Thursday, March 5, 2020  
3:20 p.m. - Room 3

Meeting called to order at 3:29pm.

Members present: Claire Mognaga, Geoff Pepler, JT Ruch, Lilia Tsui, Brenda Gundell, Jennifer Tischer, Anne Torok, Lori Sevilla, Megan Lantz, Shazia Rahman; Special Guest: Joy Maglalang Young

1. Safety Message and Group Photo
2. Approval of [Minutes from 2/6/2019](#): Lori S. motioned to approve, Anne T. seconded.
3. Overview of Counselor role at FES with guest speaker Joy Maglalang Young
  - a. Joy has been in education for 20 years with a credential in school counseling with experience in San Ramon, New Haven Unified, and Newark as well as at the County Office of Ed. Has been a coach for PBIS.
  - b. As a school counselor, Joy values collaboration with teachers and staff members to support students and families. Tier 1 services provided are for all students including workshops, going into classrooms of all grade levels, teaching character and SEL lessons. She supports the implementation of Character Strong curriculum, Kimochis, and Capturing Kids Heart. The flex room (also known as Peaceful Panther Playroom) is also open during recess for alternative recess options for students. Tier 2 supports include working with students in small groups on specific skills like friendship skills, expressing feelings and self-regulation, etc. Students are referred to groups by staff and/or parents. Tier 3 services include 1:1 check-in sessions with students and referrals and working directly with families.
  - c. Emotional and behavioral support is much needed at our site.
  - d. Questions:
    - i. Is there peer counseling? Nothing formal this year but it is one of the things she would like to do next year.
    - ii. Is there a place where students can discreetly ask for help? There is an envelope by the FLEX room where students can put in a note to her if they would like to meet with her.
    - iii. Have you seen students want to talk to adults? Yes--many ask to speak with administrators and teachers and that's a good indicator that they feel safe and comfortable in reaching out to trusted adults at school.
    - iv. Will PeaceMakers return to our school site? It may be something that we can look into again next school year.
  - e. Solutions Team is another way that Mrs. Tischer supports 4th and 5th grade students. The Solutions Team usually is discreetly chosen and invited by the teacher, including a bystander, an upstander, the student who caused the harm, and the teacher. The team meets several times to help brainstorm

how they can help their peer. It gives the student who is causing the harm an opportunity to reflect on their behavior that may have caused the harm. It's a very effective and supportive way for a student team to help their peers solve problems together. This is a non-punitive way to teach the behavior and skills to students that need it.

#### 4. Community Survey

- a. SSC Members gave feedback on current version of the survey:
  - i. Question 4 about report card: do we still need this question since originally it was added after the new report card? We will take this off.
  - ii. Add: Aside from their classroom teacher, do you feel your child has a trusted adult on campus they feel comfortable speaking to when they need?
  - iii. Question 8 about social-emotional support: what does the data look like from last year? If not, in what area are you not feeling emotionally supported? Maybe add a drop-down menu.
  - iv. One idea is to do some sort of Intake meetings for new families entering our school to make transitions smoother. Maybe add a new family survey at enrollment instead of adding to this community survey.
  - v. Add: Are you new to Fred this year?
  - vi. Add: My child's teacher communicates well with me regarding my child's progress.
  - vii. Add: My child's teacher keeps me well-informed about what's happening in the classroom.
- b. We would like to have the survey ready by March 26th for Open House. We will have chromebooks for parents to use during Open House.

#### 5. Principal's Report

- a. Construction update:
  - i. Fencing will go up on March 9th.
  - ii. Play structure will be taken out so additional playground equipment has been ordered and Kinder field area will be used for recesses; P7 may be an option for students who need indoor recess; additional supervision has been requested.
  - iii. PE area will be repainted
  - iv. Evacuation area will be moved to the field behind Kinder building
  - v. The goal for Phase 1 completion is 11/20/20.
  - vi. During Open House, maybe have a construction update.
  - vii. Assembly tomorrow by Cheza Nami→ coming to our school for free.
- b. Claire M. will try to keep the community updated by adding a construction update to the weekly update that Cathy R. sends out each week.

#### 6. PFC Update

- a. Counselor Ms. Young gave her presentation.
- b. Upcoming Events
  - i. 3/20 Talent Show--many students participating

- ii. 4/3 Pastries with Parents event: maybe have stations if there isn't one space that can hold that many people
- iii. Boon Bag fundraiser for 5th Grade promotion and Girls on the Run program
- iv. Teacher Appreciation in May
- v. 4th Grade fundraiser profit was close to \$6000 and will go towards their 5th Grade Science Camp experience
- vi. 5/22 Field Day
- vii. Looking for all new board members for next year

## 7. Open Forum

- a. Courtyard doors are locked at all times because they are not access points for students. Concern is that students can be locked in the courtyard if MPR doors are also closed and whether that may be a fire hazard if there is a fire in the MPR and no other exit route.
- b. 5th Grade camp may be switching to Santa Clara County outdoor ed camp. District is working on making the experience the same for all students in the whole district. They are also looking at finances and scholarship options.
- c. Read Across America--4th and 5th students are reading to K-2nd students.
- d. One City One Book has started and it's been a wonderful experience.
- e. There is a petition going around asking Dublin schools to close.
- f. Measure J is at 53.79% and needs 55%. As mail-in ballots have not all been counted, no announcement has been made as to whether it has passed or not yet.
- g. Next meeting we will talk about our SSC board membership.

Meeting adjourned at 4:53pm. Notes submitted by Frederiksen SSC Secretary Lilia Tsui.