SMASH Site Council Minutes Wednesday, September 3, 2025 3:15 PM on Zoom

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In attendance: Ezra Mooney, Christian Carter, Jeff Rubin, Jessica Rishe, Jen Mack, Mike Oliver, Rohan Sellers, Kai Richardson, Ania Kubicz-Preis, Sarah Daunis, Jen Gardner, Alissa Bizzul

Absent:

Adopted Agenda - Motioned by Ezra Mooney, Seconded by Rohan Sellers Approved minutes of last meeting - Motioned by Jeff Rubin, Seconded by Christian Carter

Community participation: Jonathan Chu (Core 4 parent) and Cecilia Cox (Core 4 student)

Reports and Announcements (regular agenda items)

Student Council hasn't started yet. The Talent Show will be on Friday, Oct. 10th and sign-ups will go out Sept. 19th.

Student Reports:

In Core 4, 8th Graders are learning about the Medieval Ages (taking notes), using No-Red Ink, reading The Giver, and preparing for the essay. In Science, they're learning about birds: how to identify their calls, patterns, etc. They've been using binoculars and watching videos. In Math, they're working on 8th-grade geometry (symmetry and shapes), and then they'll move into Algebra. In Passion Projects,they've made video statements about what their interest is at this time. In 7th grade, they're starting Geometry (measuring angles). They're also reading The Giver and learning how to use No Red Ink. In 6th grade, they're learning about factors. They're working on No Red Ink and Typing Club. They will be going on an overnight trip to the Ocean Institute. Sports tryouts just happened and music starts this week.

In Core 3, they are building community - developing and building rituals and expectations - and reviewing CARES through read alouds and activities. They just started I am From poems and Self-Portraits.

In Core 2, they're spending a lot more time building responsibility to self, a group of people, and the community. They're talking about the why behind behaviors and routines. They're being very careful and it's going really well. They're embedding content through classroom explorations and building expectations.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Confirmed ballots and Welcomed newly elected reps: Parent Mike Oliver and Students Rohan Sellers and Kai Richardson.

Reviewed and approved the bylaws for the 2025-2026 school year

Group highlighted the goals of Site Council and asked people to reflect on why they joined Site Council. Mike talked about the value of working with different constituencies in our community, and Rohan talked about how he wanted to take on a leadership role. Jessica explained why the agenda is sent out ahead of time, voting rules, the make-up and expectations of Site Council, and how and why people were elected for the two-year term.

Identified by-law revision is:

- We are a TK-8th Grade School

Motion to adopt this revision by Rohan Sellers and Seconded by Kai Richardson. There was a vote and all were in favor.

Site Council Member Training slide deck reviewed and reflected upon by those present Held Election of Officers (Site Council Chair is Jeff Rubin and Recording Secretary is Sarah Daunis)

Today, the focus was on reviewing the legal requirements spelled out in the slideshow. Explained the seven steps necessary for developing SPSA, what SPSA means, what we need to do to be within the law, and the conditions we need to follow in order to operate and meet our goals. Highlighted the importance of making sure different groups

(beyond Site Council) understand the plan and action plans. When reviewing the plan, Ezra Mooney shared why this committee benefits from having different constituents and Michael Oliver highlighted the importance of equity and access in this slide deck. Ezra reflected on the steps from last year that resonated and connected to "The Seven Steps for Developing the IPSA" slide. Rohan Sellers shared his interest in learning how the students are doing, Kai Richardson shared his interest in knowing if the goals will be met, and Ezra wanted to know if the goals were met and, if not, if they were appropriate. Site Council discussed how all of us are here to represent all community members. Rohan and Kai clarified whether they could ask everyone what they want (so all can be represented) and how it would work.

Community participation: None

Motion to adjourn
Motioned by Mike Oliver
Seconded by Jeff Rubin

Meeting notes taken by Recording Secretary Sarah Daunis

Meeting Adjourned at 4:15pm.

Next meeting dates for 2025-26: 10/1/25, 11/12/25, 12/3/25, 1/7/26, 2/11/26, 3/4/26, 4/15/26, 5/6/26