

Will Rogers Learning Community: *An international Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme School*
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Will Rogers Learning Community SSGC Meeting

Date: May 22nd, 2025

Location: <https://smmk12.zoom.us/my/wrlcprincipal?omn=86478944607>

Time: The meeting began at 3:21pm

Members Present: Tristen Gartrell, Lila Daruty, Sally Miller, Cynthia Gomez, Paola Vezzulli, Maureen Reilly, Evan McGee, Norma Bozin, Gaby Gonzalez

Agenda Item 1: Call To Order/Opening Rituals

Agenda Item 2: Review of SPSA goals: Ms. Daruty presented the current SPSA (Single Plan for Student Achievement) goals, highlighting key data points such as improvements in Winter IAB ELA scores, an increase in ELPI levels, a decrease in suspension rates, and positive trends in the California Healthy Kids Survey and student risk assessments.

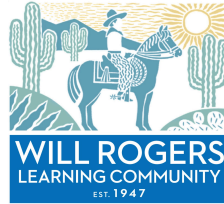
Strategies/actions were discussed: developing repertoires of high-leverage practices, increasing instructional cohesion TK-5, targeted professional development, international baccalaureate, and social emotional learning and mental health awareness.

Evidence of learning was shared; supporting evidence included assessment data, learning walks, and other instructional and behavioral performance indicators.

Barriers were discussed: the complexities of merging two Title I schools, embracing student diversity through an equity-minded lens, limited access to IB training, student behavior during unstructured play, and balancing freedom and control in student interactions.

The budget to support SPSA goals was reviewed, with several key items discussed:

- **Renewal of the Literably Reading Program:** It was proposed to renew the subscription, along with providing substitute coverage so that teachers have time to administer the assessment.
- **Expansion of TK/K Dance Instruction:** An increase in dance instruction for TK and Kindergarten to 6 weeks throughout the school year was proposed. Questions were



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raised about the potential to extend dance instruction to first grade as well.

- **Hiring of a Full-Time Instructional Coach:** A new full-time instructional coach position was proposed, with funding split 50/50 between Title I funds and Educational Services. The coach would be dedicated to directly supporting teacher development and instructional practices.
- **Partnership with LACOE:** The budget includes the addition of a partnership with LACOE to provide training and professional development. Questions were raised about whether Educational Services will be coordinating this partnership.

A suggestion was made to address the issue of students arriving at school hungry by exploring ways to provide consistent access to healthy snacks. Ideas included: Utilizing the school's regenerative farm to grow and harvest snacks for students, introducing a snack cart featuring farm-grown items, planting healthy, ready-to-eat produce that students could enjoy, reinstating the salad bar program, where students create their own salads—something that had been discontinued following COVID-19 restrictions.

Agenda Item 3: Motions Made

1. Motion to Retain Current SPSA Goals for 2025–2026

A motion was made to retain the current SPSA goals for continued implementation during the 2025–2026 school year.

The motion was **unanimously approved** by the following members:

Tristen Gartrell, Lila Daruty, Sally Miller, Cynthia Gomez, Paola Vezzulli, Maureen Reilly, Evan McGee, Norma Bozin, and Gaby Gonzalez.

2. Motion to Approve Proposed Budget for Goals 1, 2, and 3 for 2025–2026

A motion was made to approve the proposed budget aligned with Goals 1, 2, and 3 for the 2025–2026 school year.

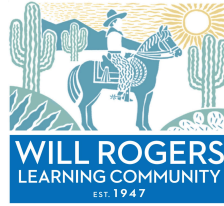
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For The Good Of the Order

Meeting adjourned at 4:43 pm

Minutes drafted: by Maureen Reilly



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Minutes Approved on: