

Sebastian Middle School
SAC Meeting Minutes, May 6th, 2025
2:10 Mrs. DeAcutis's Room in 580

Member Name (SJCSD Employees)	Present? YES/NO	Member Name (Non-district Employees)	Present? YES/NO
Kirstie Gabaldon (Principal)	YES	Francis Arflin (Parent)	ZOOM
Melinda Bogart (Assistant Principal)	NO		
Susan DeAcutis (SAC Chair)	YES	Jackie McSwain (Parent)	NO
(SAC Co-Chair)	N/A	Noelle Wendler (Parent)	NO
Heather Dempsey (Support Staff)	YES	Janie Koike (Parent)	ZOOM
Troy Davis (District Buddy)*	NO	Brittany Cole (Parent)	NO
Pam Propst (Teacher)	NO	Claudia Dencer (PTO President/Parent)	YES
*Non-voting member <div style="text-align: right;">Quorum Reached: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES or NO</div>			

Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Accept Minutes from last meeting
3. Principal's update
4. Budget Review
5. Title 1
6. Administration-Literacy Conference Request
7. Thoughts about next year's meeting days and times
8. Closing
9. Thank you for a GREAT year! See you in the fall.

1. Welcome to SMS SAC Meeting 5/6/25, 2:10 PM
2. Claudia Dencer moved to approve minutes from our SAC meeting held 4/1/25, Dempsey seconded, and all approved.
3. Principal's Update
 - Ms. Gabaldon spoke about the transitional state of school this time of year: clubs are done until club fair next school year; testing starts next week and classes are reviewing now. Thanks to SAC, a PLC conference will take place this summer. The band concert is tonight in the auditorium. 8th grade dance is this Friday. Links are on the SMS Website with updates and a live calendar. There are 4 superintendent candidates in the running and they will speak at FCTC on 5/13/25. Information on the candidates is on the district website and a decision will be made before June.
4. Budget Review-
 - Current SAC budget is \$3017.21.
5. Title 1 is a federal program for economically disadvantaged students. The Parent and Family Engagement Plan and The Parent-Teacher Compact are 2 components of Title 1. Title 1 funds teacher positions, software, events and parent-information nights. The Parent-Teacher Compact are promises we make to help our students. We'll meet with all stakeholders at the joint SAC/PTO meeting to revisit our goals the beginning of next year.
6. Administration-Literacy Conference Request
 - Ms. Gabaldon requested funds for Susan DeAcutis and Andrea Clark to attend the Literacy Institute Conference in Orlando, a 2-day conference led by state and district personnel from the DOE. The request is for \$1746.42 which will cover transportation, hotel, parking and meals for both teachers (the conference itself is free). Ms. Gabaldon is very deliberate, thoughtful and selective about professional development opportunities, and she recommends this conference. The two teachers are expected to come back and teach our Reading and ELA teachers what they've learned, and how they can apply it to success in the classrooms for all students-a collaborative group of teachers working together.
 - Ms. Koike motioned to vote for this request, Ms. Arflin approved and all voted "yea".
7. Thoughts about next year's meeting days and times
 - Our goal is to get more involvement from all stakeholders. PTO meets in the evenings online. More involvement makes us stronger. Beginning next year we will try new things (times, format of meetings) to determine what works best for parents. We will begin the year alternating monthly evening and afternoon. We will then collect the data to determine which format works best for SAC as a whole and move to adjust for the remainder of the year. The goal is to increase participation from all stakeholders.
8. Closing
 - Ms. Dempsey moved to end meeting, Ms. Dencer seconded and all voted "yea".