

SMASH Site Council Agenda  
Wednesday, January 24, 2018 3:15 PM in Anne's Room

In attendance: Anne Serapiglia, Christian Carter, Kirsten Sheridan, Michon Paris, Molly Domingue, Jessica Rishe, Rio Wagabaza, Maya Gillerman, and Malaika Boyer

Absent: Tali Chase, Sarah Daunis, and Jayme Wold Florian

Motioned by Anne. Seconded by Rio. Agenda adopted.

Motioned by Michon. Seconded by Kirsten. Approved minutes of last meeting.

Community participation: none

Reports and Announcements (regular agenda items)

Principal's Report: Discussed SMMUSD plan and SMASH specific steps regarding social justice initiative: system of self-reflection and learning walk tools regarding social justice focus and implementation of social justice standards. SMASH Some Core 2-4 teachers and Jessica attended the Teaching Tolerance training at the Museum of Tolerance and a Core 1 teacher is signed up to go soon.

Student Reports: Core 3 social studies presentations included historical research, connections to current day implications, demonstrated how to work as a team, and included active audience engagement. In literacy, it is an open genre unit. People are writing songs, poems, fantasy pieces and more.

Core 4 just started "Red Scarf Girl" which talks about China during the cultural revolution and we have been taking notes on imperial China as well. In Science we are doing labs to learn about photosynthesis.

Community Organization Reports (to include but not limited to the following):

PTSA: The slate of executive board openings will be emailed out today. Please speak to parents who might be interested in running for those positions. Spring SMASHBash events go on sale next week.

Student Council: The upper school dance is this Friday 1/26 6-8pm.

Old Business: Discussed updates about MUSE-SMASH Seed To Table project and 1/17/18 Zoom meeting with students across the country. Each of the schools introduced themselves and where their gardening program is at so far. There will be a conference in San Diego and another meeting in Atlanta for some students.

Updates about peer mediation: 33 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> graders applied and will be going through the training for 15 weeks thanks to the \$3900 grant SMASH received.

New Business: Review the results of the SMASH K-8 student engagement survey  
(To what degree do students feel they have choice in what they learn and how they show it? How do students feel about peer and adult mentoring relationships through school? How interested and engaged do they feel about what they learn at school?) Student responses indicate K-8 that students increasingly know that effort creates ability, and that what they learn is interesting to them. Should we clarify and reword anything for next year's survey? At March meeting, we will review 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade data.

Motioned by Molly. Seconded by Anne. Approved the 17-18 SMASH Safety Plan (procedures for Earthquakes, Fires, Lockdowns, Bomb Threats, etc).

Community participation: none

Motioned by Michon. Seconded by Molly. Meeting Adjourned at 4:30pm.  
Next meeting dates for 2017-18: 3/14/18, 5/9/18