

SMASH Site Council Minutes
Wednesday, December 20, 2017 3:15 PM in Anne's Room

In attendance: Molly Lague, Michon Paris, Kristen Sheridan, Christian Carter, Jayme Wold Florian, Jessica Rishe, Rio Wagabaza, Malaika Boyer

Absent: Anne Serapiglia, Sarah Daunis, Tali Chase, and Maya Gillerman

Motioned by Michon. Seconded by Rio. Agenda adopted.

Motioned by Jayme. Seconded by Molly. Approved minutes of last meeting.

Community participation: none

Reports and Announcements (regular agenda items)

Student Reports: Core 4 completed our semester studies for math, science and social studies. Superintendent Ben Drati spoke about being a refugee from Uganda. This connects to the book "A Long Walk to Water" that we just read and writing about.

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

PTSA: Executive Board recruitment through nominating committee coming up.

Student Council: 80s Spirit Day had high participation.

Old Business

Site Council member Kristen Sheridan applied for and successfully received a grant for SMASH. Plan for 25 5-6-7 grader peer mediation training starting February 2-May 25. Up to 25 students Fridays 12:30-1:30pm for 15 weeks. Western Justice Center will train the students and do three follow up visits to support students. Kristen is putting together the information about what the student commitment once they're trained is that Jayme and Genie will share in class with the 5-6-7 graders and we'll send a flier home to parents informing them about the opportunity as well.

New Business:

Seamus, Simone, and Theo shared their Prezi including their data collection regarding SMMUSD cafeteria menus. When asked if the cafeteria food needs improvement, 158 SMASH students said yes and 11 students said no. This is not all of our K-8 students because some students were absent, some people said they don't have an opinion or they don't eat hot lunch. They compared the nutritional content (sugar, fiber, sodium) using the SMMUSD Food Services charts of our meals with the Red Cross recommendations. The students gave suggestions for improvements. Site Council discussed what needs to happen in order for these suggestions to be possible.

Paul Hudak, Seed To Table Manager from MUSE private school is interested in a joint partnership with SMASH students and parents to coordinate efforts around gardening, health, nutrition and ecology.

Discussed K-8 SMASH-created student engagement survey. Results will be shared at January meeting. Students noticed the categories of responses did not allow them to be as specific as what they were thinking about.

Community participation: none

Motioned by Rio. Seconded by Malaika. Meeting Adjourned.
Next meeting dates: 1/24/18, 3/14/18, 5/9/18