

Santa Maria Joint Union High School District
Migrant Parent Advisory Committee
November 19, 2024
6pm
MINUTES

I. Welcome

- a. Dr. Jackie Loew, Dean of MMEP, opened the meeting at 6:11pm by welcoming all those in attendance.
- b. Dr. Loew acknowledges members of MPAC roundtable and thanked parents Lus Villalva and Maria Avila for making personal phone calls to invite parents to the meeting.
- c. Matt Fraijo, executive director of teaching and learning, in sub for superintendent, apologized for Mr. Garcias absence at tonight's meeting. He gave a brief thanks to parents for attending the meeting and offered support for any uprising questions.

II. Call to order

- a. Agenda review and approval: reviewed the agenda for the evening. Lus Enriquez Villalva made the first motion to approve the agenda and was seconded by Jose Lopez. All were in favor and the motion was approved.
- b. Reading and approval of the October 15, 2024, minutes: Dr. Loew asked parents to read over minutes. Maria Avila made the first motion to approve the minutes and was seconded by Nancy Ruiz. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

III. Presentation/s

- a. Edgar Ruvalcaba, Migrant School Advisor, provided parents with updated information on the Saturday migrant academy. He also asked parents to encourage their students to join the migrant speech & debate team.
- b. Abel Salvador Flores, Executive Director, of Por Vida provided parents with information regarding the services provided to high school students of Por Vida. Juan Pacheco, Program Supervisor of Por Vida provided parents with information about the different programs they have for both parents and students. He also provided information on how students can join Por Vida and how the student is monitored once they join the program.
- c. Alan Diaz, Program Advisor, provided parents with information regarding the Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara. He mentioned that seniors who plan to go to college should/can apply. He also talked about the FAFSA application, the pel grant and other grants/loans offered by the government.

IV. Reports

- a. No reports were discussed.

V. General announcements/public comments

- a. Student safety questions arose, and Mr. Fraijo was able to answer and collect parental information to follow up with school principals and families.
- b. MPAC future meeting dates were announced and Dr. Loew mentioned that due to the crowded room, we will try to get a bigger space to better accommodate guests. Parent Lus Enriquez Villalva encouraged parents to attend all the upcoming parent meetings.
- c. Parent Juan Rodriguez asked to be considered for the parent committee and was voted in by the parents in the audience.

Adjournment

Juan Rodriguez made the first motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Maria Nunez. All were in favor and the motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:31pm The next MPAC meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2025, at 6pm in the Lincoln Center room 904.