



**John N.C. Stockton Elementary (JSE) #88  
School Advisory Council (SAC)**

**Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, October 17, 2023**

**JSE Library**

**Attendees**

Brandie Middleton, SAC Chair/Parent  
Renee Fields, SAC Vice Chair/Parent  
Angela Doss, Assistant Principal  
Caitlin Benson, PTA Representative/Parent  
Shelley Johnston, JSE Faculty  
Ellen Wilson, FOS Representative/Parent  
Aubree Hershorin, Parent  
Gary Bryan, School Choice Office  
Corey Phelan, Parent  
Lauren Hogan, Parent  
Mandy Moore, Teacher  
Margie Fox, Grandparent  
Antonio Searcy, Parent  
Phil Bravo, Parent  
Sarah Maher, Parent

**1. Call to Order (Brandie Middleton, SAC Chair)**

- The meeting was called to order at 7:32 a.m. by Brandie Middleton, 2023-2024 SAC Chair. This SAC meeting was held in person in the JSE Library.

**2. New Business (Brandie Middleton, SAC Chair)**

- Review and approval of minutes from 9/19/23.
- Introductions of new members, Phil Bravo and Antonio Searcy.
- Secretary Position is still open. No one in the meeting had an interest in becoming secretary so Renee Fields (**SAC Vice Chair**) continued recording minutes. We're going to circle back and think of someone to fill this role.

**3. Principal's Update (Ms. Doss, Assistant Principal)**

- Ms. Doss started with upcoming important dates.
- 10/23 Report Cards
- 10/25 Early Release
- 10/26 Stem Night at 6:00 pm
- 10/27 is no longer a weather day, students will attend school to make up for the hurricane days
- 10/31 Starts Book Fair Week. Parents can shop before school on 11/3

### **School Improvement Plan - Ms. Doss**

Everyone at the meeting was provided with a copy of Stockton's School Improvement plan, which Ms. Doss reviewed. It's an analysis of our data from last school year and the goals we set for this school year and how we plan to achieve them.

- a. The School Improvement Plan is a state document. DCPS requires all schools to complete it annually.
- b. The administration reviews the data from the previous year and constructs goals around the data.
- c. Ms. Doss mentioned that many of the Early Warning Indicators on page 8 are not correct.
- d. Ms. Doss reviewed page 10 on how Stockton students compare to the district and to the state both in 2022 (last FSA) and 2019 (FSA). Based on the data Stockton students are doing very well in the majority of categories. The only area that is a bit concerning is the ELA Lowest 25th percentile for 2022. Even though our school was higher at 53%, we were barely above the district at 51% and the state at 52%. This data could be low due to the impact of Covid. The 2020 and 2021 years are not available due to Covid.
- e. Phil Bravo asked if the Early Warning Indicator data were corrected, would we have to do more parts of the SIP. Doss explained that was a great question but no. The extra components of the SIP are related to being a Title 1 school and/or based on our ESSA data, which will be discussed later.
- f. Pg 11 ESSA- Every Student Succeeds Act. This is where the state breaks down all of our subgroups. In order for them to pull the data for each subgroup, we have to have at least 10 students in that particular group. On page 12 they take each subgroup and break their scores down by each subject, proficiency, learning gains, and lowest quartile. They then take all those numbers and average them and then that average is the federal percent of points index, which is the number you see on page 11. If those ranges drop below 41%, we will be required to complete more areas of the SIP. Our subgroups do not go below 41%.
- g. Last year's subgroup data isn't included and admin believes that is because it's a new test and the state is still finalizing scale scores for each achievement level. We don't have growth scores from last year since it was a new test and there is nothing to compare student's performance to. We also don't have our school grade yet.
- h. On page 13 you can see charts of data of proficiency from last year broken down by grade level and subject. It's also broken down by district and state.
- i. If you average ELA, 77% of our students were proficient. Proficiency is a level 3 or higher.

- j. If you average the math, 89% of our students were proficient. Proficiency is a level 3 or higher.
- k. We then went over an overall analysis of our data from last year. The lowest performing data component was our reading proficiency which was 77%. Our reading proficiency has continued to drop over the last 5 years. Our reading and math proficiency both dropped by 5 percentage points from the previous year. This drop could be attributed to a new test, new standards, and a new curriculum. Although all our scores exceeded the state average, our science scores exceeded the state by the most points. Our science scores were 35 percentage points higher than the state. Our science scores also showed the most growth from the previous year.
- l. Our goals for this year are to increase reading proficiency to 82%, increase math proficiency to 94%, and decrease discipline referrals by 15%. We plan to improve our proficiency rates by consistently implementing guided reading, ensuring centers are differentiated, frequently analyzing data, and participating in vertical articulation. We will decrease discipline referrals by continuing our positive behavior incentives, holding quarterly discipline assemblies, and implementing positive discipline referrals.
- m. We will meet again in the winter to review our progress towards these goals at the Mid-Year Stakeholder's Meeting.

#### **5. FOS Report (Ellen Wilson, FOS President)**

- Finished with Business Partnerships and banner is being printed
- Annual Dolphin Circle Party Fundraiser will be held on 11/14 at Ellen Wilson's Home
- December will be Luminara- still looking for a headline sponsor

#### **6. PTA Report (Caitlin Benson, PTA President)**

- Fall Fest is this Friday, October 20th
- Still need several parent volunteers
- Monthly Board meetings are being rescheduled and will now be held on the first Monday of the month at 9am starting next month 11/6

#### **7. Other Business**

- There was no other business addressed. Our next meeting will be held on 11/14 in the media center at 7:30 am.

#### **8. Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 am**

**Next SAC Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 14th at 7:30 am**