

Babcock School
ELAC Meeting Minutes
10/18/23

1. Attendees: Parents in attendance were Guadalupe Ramirez, Nancy Cruz, Khatev Sthikzai, Sonia Escobar, Rosy Bonilla, Maria Arandia, Maria Pegueso, Alicia Castrejan, Erika Flores, Jenny Yu, Ma del Rosario Rios, Javier Quintana, Fatima Gama Staff present were Norma Ramos, and Paula Roach. (Meeting was interpreted for Spanish speaking parents)
2. Introductions of all staff and parents present were made.
3. Review and Approve Bylaws for 23-24 ELAC:
 - a. Principal provided parents with a copy of the bylaws from last year at the previous meeting and then reviewed them at this meeting..
 - b. Parents were asked if they wanted to make any edits or revisions to the bylaws. There were no suggested revisions or edits.
 - c. The chair called for a vote to approve the bylaws and it passed with a 13-0 vote.
4. Review SPSA goals/strategies and begin needs assessment:
 - a. Principal shared the current school plan goals and strategies from the SPSA.
 - b. Principal asked parents if they have questions about any of the goals or strategies.
 - c. There were no questions about the goals or strategies.
5. Discussion: Safety at Babcock
 - a. Parents were concerned about the businesses that are on the street nearest school. They do not think it is safe for students to walk past them. Also concerned with the trash they leave on street and blocking of street with cars. They would like the school/district to get them to correct these problems. Principal explained that these are private businesses and it would be best to have parents submit complaints to the city. Principal said she would check with our district facilities department about their concerns.
 - b. There were questions about whether the playground equipment is too old. Principal is looking into this with the district.
 - c. Several concerns regarding parent drop-off and pick up and individual parents that are driving too fast or parking in unsafe ways in the parking lot. Principal said she would put reminders about the parking lot expectations in the Friday Update and look out for and talk to parents who are problematic.
6. Questions/Recommendations to the School Administration:
 - a. Parents asked about having a full time Spanish speaking office clerk. Principal explained that it would be nice to have that and it is one area that is considered when hiring if there is an opening. Currently we have no openings. We did agree to use the translation line even in person on days we do not have a Spanish speaking person available in person.
 - b. No other questions were asked.
7. Adjourn meeting:
 - a. Meeting adjourned at 9:55 am.
 - b. Next Meeting will be: Wednesday 12/13/23 in Room 26 at 8:45 am