

Garfield Elementary
ELAC Minutes - Virtual Meeting February 15, 2022

- The meeting was called to order by Ms. Melissa at 1:05 pm.
- Welcome and Introductions were presented
- The agenda and minutes were presented for approval. 1st motion was made by Ms. Toledo seconded by Ms. Hornada.

DELAC Report-

- It was asked by a parent how much money are we spending on lawyers and all the legal claims by pursuing what is in the past. All this money could have a much better use on the students.
- The community had the opportunity to break into small group and talk about the questions that would be suggested for the EL Questionnaire.
- DELAC opened the floor for nominations for the new board and next meeting they'll be taking a vote.

LCAP - Feedback

- Ms. Hornada made a presentation on LCFF and LCAP. She explains the process and the Elements of how parent engagement is super important. And how we need to hear from our parents and community members. Ms. Hornada asked for feedback on what is working and what we need to improve. There was a comment made in regard to students using too much time on the chromebooks as they are in the classroom. Is there a time limit that the teachers need to comply with? Response: At this time there is no mandate that indicates how much time. A parent commented that there is not enough motivation from teachers to promote College, University or Trade schools at the lower level. It was mentioned that Garfield would be getting an electronic marquee. It could be used to promote college and get the kiddos excited about higher education. Also, lunches could improve. It seems that the lunch menu is the same; granted that it is free for all this year, but the menu could offer more options.

ELPAC Testing / Practice

- Our principal shared information on the Staring Smarter web page to practice with our kids sample questions, as well as practice test. Practice test takes them through the 4 elements of Reading, Writing, Listening, Speaking. The window to take the ELPAC opened 02/14. Our kiddos would be taking the ELPAC between March & April. TK - 2nd grade will take one to one test performed by a qualified District Tester. 3rd - 5th grade will take group testing with Ms. Hornada or Ms. Smith.

COVID Safety Protocols Updates

- Ms. Hornada informs parents that within this week that every student will be receiving a take home Self Test. Strongly recommended to test on Friday, February 25th and then again on Sunday, February 27. If tested positive to please stay home and call the office to let us know.

For the Good of the Order

Meeting adjourned at 2:25 pm

