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Doolen Middle School Council

Minutes 2024-2025

Meeting Date: Thursday, December 12, 2024 Meeting Location: School Library / https://tusd1.zoom.us/j/87157859334

Members present	Sama Albasha; Lourdes Cirerol; Juanita Felix; Ms. Pak Yang; Nathaly Santin; Anna Wozniak; Ms. McConaughy; Ms. Zamira Mohammadi
Members absent	Kim Clark; Sarah D'Amico; Monica Flores; Shanin Hurley; Lisa Ragsdale
Constituency group represented	Parents at large; Administration; Classified; Community Partners; Teachers; Student Council Representative

- **I.** Called to order at 4:05 PM by Lourdes Cirerol
- **II.** Approval of Minutes for November 14, 2024, Ms. Wozniak, Seconded by Ms. Nathaly Santin

DISCUSSION NOTES	
CONCLUSIONS	Ms. Wozniak made a motion to accept School Site Council minutes from November 14, 2024. Ms. Nathaly Santin seconded the motion to approve the minutes.
ACTION ITEMS	

III. Call to the audience

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CONCLUSIONS	
ACTION ITEMS	
There were no comments or inquiries addressed to the Site Council during the call to the audience	

IV. Reports

REPORTS TO REVIEW	Principal's update
DISCUSSION	As we returned from Thanksgiving break, the end of the semester is rapidly approaching. In sports news, our Boys Volleyball team has achieved a remarkable milestone by qualifying for the semi-finals! The highly anticipated game took was to take place on Monday, December 16 at 5:30pm at Pueblo High School. The Doolen community was invited to attend and cheer on our team during this special event. We extend our warmest congratulations to the team and Coach Urcadez

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	on their outstanding accomplishments!" The soccer season for both boys and girls teams will kick off during the 3rd quarter. Important reminder: All students interested in participating in the soccer team must have a current physical on file. We're excited to announce that Mr. Urcadez will lead the Boys soccer team, while Ms. Lusk will lead the Girls soccer team. We wish both teams a successful and exciting season! Ms. Santin and Ms. Gower are completing teacher evaluations. Benchmark Assessment for 2 nd Quarter have been successfully completed, marking a continuation of our improved testing culture, which has shown notable growth and development over the past three years. Thanks to the efforts of Higher Ground, Wheels for Kids generously donated two complete bicycle packages, each including a helmet and bike lock. Two lucky 7th-grade students were selected as winners in our recent raffle, chosen at random from all eligible participants. The Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) Winter Wonderland Dance for students
	is scheduled for today, Thursday, December 14. To enter the dance, students will use Thunderbucks as currency. Please note that students must be in good behavioral standing to participate in this special event.
	Teachers are finalizing 2nd Quarter and 1st semester grades, which are expected to be completed and submitted early next week. As a reminder, students who are behind in their schoolwork are encouraged to catch up on missing assignments and projects to improve their grades before the deadline.
	As we approach Promotion Season, please be aware that students must meet protocols: attendance, behavior and academics. We encourage all 8th-grade students to stay focused and committed to meeting these requirements to ensure a successful promotion ceremony.
	AVID Movie Night will take place on Thursday, December 19, this event is open to the entire Doolen community!
	2nd Quarter VIP Celebration Ceremony We are excited to announce that our 2nd Quarter VIP celebration ceremony will take place on December 19, during both lunch periods. A special thank you to: Blackjack Pizza & Portillo's Restaurant for their generous food donations that will make this event even more special! We also appreciate the kindness of our school staff who contributed to the tip money for our delivery personnel. Your support is greatly appreciated!
	As the holiday season approaches, we acknowledge that this time of year can be challenging for some students who may have experienced trauma or difficulties during past holidays. Our school is committed to providing a supportive environment for all students.
	We are grateful for our partnerships with the Tucson Police Department and Higher Ground. Their support is bringing joy and uplift to their holiday season and beyond.
CONCLUSIONS	School Update
ACTION ITEMS	

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REPORTS TO REVIEW	Parent Teacher Organization – PTO's update [Ms. Nathaly Santin provided the report in behalf of PTO Representative: Ms. Lisa Ragsdale – Ms. Kim Clark]
DISCUSSION	Our dedicated PTO representatives and members are hard at work preparing for the upcoming Winter Wonderland Dance. Due to these preparations, we will not be holding our regularly scheduled PTO meeting today. Instead, our members will be busy ensuring a safe and memorable experience for our students. Thank you to our PTO team for their contribution!
CONCLUSIONS	Doolen Community Building Events and Partnerships to support students' success.
ACTION ITEMS	
REPORTS TO REVIEW	Student Council's update [Ms. Anna Wozniak provided the update in representation of Student Council representative, Ms. Monica Flores]
DISCUSSION	 Dance event: Winter Wonderland Dance will take place today from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Students pick up time at 6:30pm Spirit Week will take place the week of December 16-19: Holiday Theme Monday: Multicolor (wear as many colors as possible) Tuesday: Black/White Wednesday: Ugly sweater Thursday- Pajama Day Students are expected to adhere to the TUSD dress code policy throughout the Spirit Week activity.
CONCLUSIONS	Ms. Wozniak shared activities organized by the Student Council and shared dates of important social events.
ACTION ITEMS	

V. Action Items

ITEM TITLE	 Action item A) Request to buy essential items for school community events Request by Ms. Ms. Juanita Felix, Doolen's office manager Request of undesignated funds not to exceed \$1,000.00 to purchase essential items for school community events. These essential items are an electric turkey roaster, a commercial coffee urn, a water cooler dispenser for 5 Gallon Bottle and a microwave. These items are necessary to support school community events throughout the year, promoting a welcoming and inclusive environment for students, staff, and families. Action item B) Request for General Support Funds \$4,000 of undesignated funds to support Doolen's sports program, ensuring equal opportunities for all student athletes.
	Request by Mr. Red Morrow, Doolen's Athletic Director Mr. Red Morrow, Doolen's Athletic Director, requests \$4,000.00 of undesignated funds to support Doolen's sports program. This funding will ensure equal opportunities for all student athletes to participate in sports programs, upholding Doolen's commitment to TUSD Athletics.
DISCUSSION NOTES	 Action Item A) To ensure transparency and accessibility, essential items for school community events will be centralized, housed, and managed by the Doolen Office staff. Action Item B) Guidelines for Requesting Funds from Sports General Funds The Sports General Funds cover expenses such as: transportation to sports events, participation fees, etc.

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	To request funds, coaches must complete the request form, provide proper documentation and submit the request ahead of the scheduled event timeline
	Action Item A Request Approved A motion to approve Request A was made by Mrs. Cirerol and seconded by Ms. Nathaly Santin. The motion was unanimously approved by the School Site Council members, with all members in full agreement.
RESOLUTION	Action Item B Request Approved A motion to approve Request B was made by Mrs. Cirerol and seconded by Ms. Anna Wozniak. The motion was unanimously approved by the School Site Council members, with all members in full agreement.

VI. Discussion/information items

ITEM TITLE	There were no discussion/ information items submitted
DISCUSSION NOTES	
RESOLUTION	

VII. Submission of items for next agenda

There were no submissions or requests for items to be included on the agenda for the next meeting. [Next Site Council Meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 9, 2025 @ 4:00pm]

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:23 PM by Lourdes Cirerol, motion made by Ms. Anna Wozniak and seconded by Ms. Nathaly Santin



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