



Hiram Johnson High School

English Learner Advisory Committee (ELAC) Meeting

October 17, 2023 via Zoom 9:00 AM - 10:30 AM Conference Room A

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Meeting ID: 880 7436 7439 Passcode: HJ2023

Meeting Minutes

Members Present	Elizabeth Jimenez, Chair, Parent Member Ashley Ramirez, Secretary, School Community Liaison Mee Lee, Parent Member Maria Carballo, DELAC Representative, Parent Member Maria Pedro, Parent Member Maria Beltran, Parent Member Sunsiret Perin, Parent Member Tong Kai, Community Member Kao Vang, Parent Member Fabian Iglesias, Academic Counselor Lily Liemthongsamout, Assistant Principal
Interpreters Present	Emma Luera, Bilingual Teacher Assistant Zarlasht Farooqi, Bilingual Teacher Assistant Fabian Iglesias, Academic Counselor Ashley Ramirez, Secretary, School Community Liaison
Guests Present	

Topics	Discussion/Action	Parent Advice/Comments
Welcome & Introduction	Dr. Liemthongsamout welcomed all attendees, introduced herself and had everyone take turns introducing themselves with the name and grade of student(s) attending Hiram.	

Review of Agenda	Dr. Liemthongsamout reviewed the agenda and asked for revision and/or additions. Members had no changes to agenda.	
Announcement of Election Results	<p>Dr. Liemthongsamout shared a slide of the ELAC election results.</p> <p>Elizabeth Jimenez received the most votes - 42 and accepted the Chair position</p> <p>Mee Lee received 30 votes, but declined to serve on the Committee due to inability to attend meetings regularly.</p> <p>Kao Vang received 28 votes. Also declined to serve as elected members, but will attend meetings via zoom as work schedule permits.</p>	
Training of ELAC Members	Dr. Liemthongsamout used the district provided ELAC slide deck to provide training for new members. Training covered the purposes of the ELAC, duties of ELAC members, and duties of the school.	
Selection of DELAC Representative(s)	Shared about DELAC and the meeting schedule for the year. Dr. Liemthongsamout invited members to volunteer to serve as DELAC Representative.	<p>Maria Pedro - What do we need to do at the DELAC meetings?</p> <p>Dr. L - Be a representative of the school, need to beat the meetings, and be able to share information back with ELAC.</p> <p>Maria Carballo volunteered to serve as DELAC Representative.</p> <p>Ashley stated she will also attend as an alternate if needed and will help translate the info for Maria when sharing with ELAC members.</p>

Demographics of EL Students	Multi-year (2018-2023) EL enrollment data and demographics shared with members. Data highlighted the high number/percent of EL students at Hiram 32% last year and continues to increase with newcomer students.	
1st Wave of EL Reclassification	Dr. Liemthongsamout shared with members the reclassification criteria and process. There are a total of 18 students who are eligible for reclassification during the 1st wave. We will recognize and celebrate the students at the next ELAC meeting. Parents will be invited to the meeting.	Kao Vang - what does it mean when a student is reclassified? Dr. L - explained that it means the student is fluent in English and no longer needs English Language Development instruction.
Introduction of School Community Liaison	Ashley introduced herself and shared the work she will be doing and the support and services she will be providing students and families in her role as the school's new School Community Liaison.	
Identify topics for meetings and establish ELAC Meeting Schedule for 2023-24	<p>Dr. Liemthongsamout engaged members in brainstorming topics members are interested in having covered/presented at future meetings.</p> <p>Members discussed availability for meetings. Most agreed that the 2nd Tuesday of the month in the morning works best. Meeting dates will be Nov 7, Dec 12, Jan 16, Feb 13 and March 12 from 9:00 am to 10:30 am in person as well as on Zoom.</p>	<p>Maria Pedro - What do I need to know to help my nephew for immigration/medical card?</p> <p>Fabian - our Social Work can connect you with those resources</p> <p>Maria Calderon - Is it too late to enroll in dual enrollment?</p> <p>Fabian - No. We will share more at the next meeting and show how students enroll per counselor recommendation.</p>
Public Comments/ Announcements	Ashley shared a flier and reminded members to join the Warrior Cafe next month.	<p>Maria Beltran asked about ESL class - when will it start?</p> <p>Dr. Liemthongsamout will follow up with the new principal over at the Skills Center on the status and report back as soon as we have the date to start and if not will provide an update at the next ELAC meeting.</p>

		Maria Beltran shared she has a few safety concerns that she will be asking the principal at the Warrior Cafe.
Adjournment	Elizabeth adjourned the meeting at 10:45am.	