

**Santiago Middle School Charter Board
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 15, 2023**

The Santiago Middle School Charter Board met in person on February 15, 2023. Directors present at the meeting are noted with an “X”.

X	Eric Jaime (Parent Rep)	X	Cathy Hunsberger (Certificated Rep)
X	John Besta (Chairperson/Community Rep)	X	Kelli Colbert (Parent Rep)
X	H Hanson (Vice Chairperson/Teacher Rep)	X	Andrew Edlund (Parent Rep)
X	Justin Vasquez (Teacher Rep)		Sandra Snider (Certificate & Classified Rep)
X	Ashley Pedroza (Secretary/Curriculum Rep)	X	Lisa Adray (Classified Rep)
	Dennis McCuiston (Parent Rep)	X	District Representative: Ken Miller

An “*” indicates directors who were not present for the entire meeting.

A meeting notice, together with an agenda packet, was provided to each director by February 10, 2023. On the same date, a meeting agenda – including date, time and place – was posted at the entrance to the school office, on the office bulletin board and on Santiago’s website.

- 1. Call to order:** John Besta called the meeting to order on February 15, 2023 at 6:31pm.
- 2. Quorum was established.**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance:** led by John Besta.

4. Agenda

Motion to approve by Andy Edlund

Approved: YES, 9-0

5. Approval of Minutes: January 18, 2023

Motion to approve by Lisa Adray

Approved: YES, 7-0, abstain H Hanson, Eric Jaime, Andy Edlund

6. Public Comments:

- Recognition of Ms. Adams and Mrs. Harrison for their help with the Elf Jr Musical Theater Production.
- Congratulations from the Board Members for WASC and the other celebrations at Santiago.

7. Information/Discussion Items:

A. Board Comments: NA

B. Principals' Report:

- Civic Learning Merit Award recognition 2022
- WASC Accreditation - 6 year term with mid-cycle visit
- FPM Audit completion and acceptance with state
- El Modena Showcase - students performed and we had the opportunity to talk with a variety of parents to promote Santiago
- Enrollment Projections: We are marketing our school and leading tons of tours right now
- Open Enrollment is in full effect and we have a dozen or so families, each day, bring in the required paperwork to start the enrollment process
- We started a Facebook Campaign and have been sharing unique aspects of Santiago - the first campaign yielded 14 contacts and of those 14, we had two register for next year and have two tours scheduled in the next week
- RAD Assembly - great way to celebrate student achievement
- Baba the Storyteller to kick off Reading Month at Santiago
- Valentine's Dance - great way to kick off the Spring season
- KiisFM and iHeartRadio school "takeover" with an impromptu concert with DJ Tye Hollywood on Valentine's Day
- We have recovered 181 days of Short-Term Independent Study
- Our Musical Theater Conservatory students, led by Mr. Hanson, performed Elf and did a great job providing a really fun show to our students and community
- 6th Grade Visits - great job Roshni and Lauren for coordinating and leading the charge with engaging our future Santanas
- We celebrated Counselor Appreciation Week and are so proud to have such a strong and growing counseling program.
- High School Visits: Our students visit El Modena High School the first week of March and then students resident to another high school, also have the opportunity to visit that school and tour the campus as another option to them. Last week we had about 70 students visit Orange High School and see some of the innovative opportunities they offer to their students.

- Our wrestling program is competing twice a month in matches almost exclusively open to club teams and they are doing a great job of representing Santiago. We were the only school program at the last match at Corona Centennial and our students brought home tons of medals.
- Working with our staff to start to identify dreams, wishes and changes for next year's schedule. We do our best to accommodate the needs of teachers coupled with the needs of students, each year.
- Our counseling team will be visiting the elementary schools over the next month to start the process of selecting electives for our new Santanas.
- On Valentine's Day, a group of dads rented a limo and picked up their daughters from school with flowers. It was such a moving moment and a great representation of dads showing their daughters support and love.

C. Department Presentations: Special Education and Counseling

8. Consent Items

A. Personnel Report:

Approval of personnel reports requiring action that may include extra pay projects, separation of service, short-term employment, change of status and new hires.

Fiscal Impact: \$14,025

B. Purchase Orders

Board will vote on purchase orders 2821-2825 which have been processed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Charter Board and applicable requirements of the State of California.

Fiscal Impact: \$6500

C. Warrants List

Board will vote on warrants 2070-2085 and 10527-10580 which have been processed in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Charter Board and applicable requirements of the State of California.

Fiscal Impact: \$2,230,503.14

Motion to approve by H Hanson

Approved: 9-0

9. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by John Besta at 7:37p.

Next meeting: March 8, 2023

Reviewed and edited by Ashley Pedroza

The Board of Directors has approved the foregoing minutes

Ashley Pedroza, Secretary