



# Desert View Site Council Agenda

April 23, 2025 @ 7:30 A.M.

Desert View, Library

Attendees: John Mospan, Jennifer Corona, Christina Mahoney,  
Sadie Pyburn, Alejandra Sanchez Hernandez, Jeff Tisot, Soncire Brown, Nicole Silva

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- 1) Opening Comments
  - a. Comments from the facilitator
  - b. Note-taker: Mahoney
- 2) Review minutes- We are reviewing some of the agenda items from last month during this meeting.
- 3) Recurring Business
  - a. School updates- 3 weeks of school left- this quarter we have been focusing on state testing, staff updates, finishing up staff evaluations, getting things ready for summer school (working on invitations for this and will send them home soon). Wrapping things up and the staff is feeling a little tired. We have some fun events happening like field trips, events here at school-Childsplay, talent show, etc.
  - b. Select Employee of the Month: May- Cafeteria Staff
    - Consider requests for district Employee of the Month: N/A
  - c. Review tax credit requests- currently we have about \$40,000-\$50,000 in tax credit available- we have spent about \$10,000 so far this year. The money primarily has to be used for sports, clubs, field trips, or character education funds. They are looking at starting a Lego Robotics Club next year with some of the money. We are looking for other activities to use some of these funds on as well- maybe Martial Arts or other activities. We want to increase donations- maybe instead of having a family donate \$200 we can ask them to try and donate \$50, but it would be nice to have some ideas of things that we will be using the money on before sharing with families.
- 4) New Business
  - a. Staffing Updates- most of staff is returning- as a district, many schools are losing teachers, but we are in a good position here at DV. Kindergarten enrollment is really low- only 6 currently registered (this is the area that we are most concerned). We are going to promote kindergarten registration tonight at A+ and then have another event for kindergarten registration before school gets out. We will only have about 3 staffing positions open- we need an office tech (20 hours a week) for next year and 2 teaching positions. We are having positive retention rates in staff here at
  - b. AASA Testing Updates- the testing data determines school letter grade – looking to increase our scores- 7% is our goal. The students seemed to be working hard during

testing. The data will come out on May 15<sup>th</sup> for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade scores and end of May for the other scores; this data is not for public yet though- the real data will be finalized and come out around September. We have been working on attendance a lot this year as well.

- c. Spring Fling: April 23- This is our A+ celebration is tonight- Opening the gates at 4:00. We will have games, activities, cheer team perform, DJ, obstacle course, PD from the community. A lot of governing board members and district employees might be coming. No talking/presentations- just a lot of fun!
  - d. Reviewing SY24-25 Goals: We had 3 goals this year- there is a lot to celebrate
    - First goal is to improve reading/writing by 7%- we will use state testing for this, but based on our internal data we have already been hitting this goal and we are optimistic about this.
    - 2nd goal- increase math data by 7%- the data is pretty close in math as well. The new curriculum has high level of rigor, but teachers are still needing to supplement other things when it comes to reading/writing. The new math curriculum seems to be pretty positive and has lots of teacher tools.
    - Implement Tier 2 of PBIS, promoting staff and family engagement- our PBIS committee met monthly and started implementing Tier 2 in January- still working through things for next year- main thing we are working on is check in-check out with students. 2nd step character education- we teach lessons on Wednesdays- we have 100% implementation with first 3 units and on track for 4<sup>th</sup> unit to finish before the end of the year. Our school events have been having higher turnout this year and we are increasing family engagement.
  - e. Next Meeting: August 2025
- 5) Parent/member/visitor comments: Are we losing a lot of kids to charter schools? (Jeff)- this is not affecting us at DV (maybe just 2 kids). Transportation is an issue and so we don't see a lot of kids leaving for this reason, but we also don't see as many kids coming in because parents can't transport here. All we can do is continue to Market our school and hope more kids enroll.
  - 6) Meeting adjourn