

Weaving a Lei of **ALOHA**  
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**School Community Council (SCC)**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** Monday, May 22, 2023  
**LOCATION:** School Library  
**TIME:** 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mr. Garret Zakahi, *Principal*  
Ms. Maria Dumas, *Teacher Rep.*  
Ms. Virginia Rose, *Classified Rep.*  
Ms. Annie Garrett, *Parent Rep.*  
Ms. Yuko Almendarez, *Parent Rep.*

Joshua Almendarez, *Student Rep.*  
Rui Huang, *Student Rep.*  
Ms. Huang, *Parent Guest*  
Mr. Alston Albarado, *Community Rep.*

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Ms. Carmael Stagner, *Parent Rep.*

**MEETING AGENDA**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at **2:32 PM** with **VIRGINIA WOLF** serving as meeting facilitator and **ALSTON ALBARADO** recording minutes and taking notes.

**II. INTRODUCTION OF SCC MEMBERS FOR SY 2022-2023**

The majority of the current SCC members plan to continue next school year, except for **MARIA DUMAS** (retiring) and all parent and student representatives due to relocating schools or graduating to middle school. Recruitment for SCC members for SY 2023-2024 is ongoing.

**III. REVIEW GROUND RULES**

The ground rules were reviewed by **RUI HUANG**.

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**

The minutes from April 24, 2023 were **APPROVED** by **ANNIE GARRETT** and **SECONDED** by **MARIA DUMAS**.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**SCC SELF-ASSESSMENT SURVEY**

**GARRET ZAKAHI** facilitated and submitted the self-assessment survey with all role groups represented in the assessment.

## VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### ADMINISTRATION

#### JES Summer School

Summer School is planned to run from June 1, 2023 to June 29, 2023 targeting the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) in ELA and Mathematics with those students identified as “at risk.” Classroom placement will be based on the student’s current grade level.

#### Summer Start Kindergarten

A program for incoming Kindergarten students is planned to run from June 29, 2023 to July 20, 2023 focusing on practicing daily routines with curriculum focused on the CCSS in ELA and Mathematics. Students must be registered to attend JES for SY 2023-2024 to qualify for the Summer Start program.

### CERTIFICATED FACULTY

#### STEM Week

STEM Week was a huge success with the entire school involved with projects and positive feedback from parents. Special thanks to Kindergarten teacher, **MS. JESSICA BARBERA**, for securing the grant that helped fund the activities.

#### English Language Learning (ELL) Program

The ELL Program is wrapping up with parent-teacher conferences. **MARIA DUMAS** reports that students have made great gains in testing and are doing well in the program.

### CLASSIFIED STAFF

#### Color Run

Special events and activity days are planned to take place during the last week of school featuring a Color Run and Water Play. Honolulu Police Department (HPD) has been invited to participate in all student activities for the remainder of the school year.

#### ALOHA Store

Grand prize winners will be randomly selected from redeemed ALOHA cards as part of JES’ Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) Program. Featured prizes include bicycles, with many thanks to donors for their generosity.

### STUDENT

**RUI HUANG** and **JOSHUA ALMENDAREZ** shared positive reviews from students of STEM Week praising the excellent teamwork of participants. Both students also shared their nervousness from practicing for Grade 5 Graduation but appreciate the organization of the teachers in preparing for the event.

### PARENT

**ANNIE GARRETT** shared her excitement with the student projects from STEM Week. Inquiry into fundraising opportunities and starting a Parent-Teacher Organization (PTO) was discussed.

**GARRET ZAKAHI** shares he would support a PTO for next school year if the requirements were all met.

## COMMUNITY

**ALSTON ALBARADO** reports personalized thank you letters from the Grade 4 & 5 students were mailed to the coordinator of the Symphony Orchestra concert field trip. Plans for another Hawaiian Studies field trip for next school year with Honolulu Theatre for Youth have begun, with Grades 3 & 5 confirming their participation. Grade 4 is invited, but additional time is needed due to classroom teacher reassignments.

## VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GARRET ZAKAHI** leads the SCC in congratulating **MARIA DUMAS** for her retirement and thanking her for her years of service on the School Community Council. **MARIA DUMAS** wishes everyone farewell and reminds everyone to continue to embrace the spirit of aloha and to take this concept with them wherever they end up.

## VIII. PROS & CONS

Enjoyment was shared in the positive feedback and commentary from the SCC Self-Assessment Survey.

## IX. NEXT SCC MEETINGS

**GARRET ZAKAHI** shared the schedule of next school year's planned SCC meetings. The next SCC meeting is scheduled for **August 21, 2023**.

## X. MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was officially adjourned at **3:20 pm**.

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**JEFFERSON  
ELEMENTARY**  
*Surfers*

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