



# STEM School SAC Meeting Minutes

## August 23, 2023

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**Meeting Date: August 23, 2023**

**Meeting Location: 8920 Barrons Blvd - Mechatronics Lab**

**Time: 5:30pm – 7:00pm**

### Meeting Logistics

#### **Introductions**

**Call to Order: 5:33pm**

**Pledge of Allegiance and reciting of the Mission Statement**

#### **Present:**

- D.J. Steines, Parent Rep, Vice Chair
- Ishmeet Kalra, Parent Rep, Recorder
- Ronalea Alleman, Parent Rep, Communications
- Liz Berstch, Parent Rep
- Andrew Mauger, Parent Rep
- Tatyana Akhmetova, Parent Rep
- Amy Lu, Parent Rep
- Jesus Carrillo, Parent Rep (online)
- Tula Zeng, Parent Rep
- Meghann Evans, Parent Rep
- Jennifer West, Parent Rep
- Morry Jackson, Parent Rep
- LynAnn Kovalsky, Executive Director  
STEM School Highlands Ranch
- Samantha Ackley, Elementary Teacher Rep
- Rocki Sugrue, Secondary Teacher Rep

#### **Absent:**

- Audie Rubin, Parent Rep
- Maria Pirvulescu, Parent Rep
- Stephanie Ramirez, Parent Rep
- Andrea Day, Parent Rep

#### **Quorum Met: Yes**

**Guests:** Gina Wing, Stacie Penar, Brody Penar, Kelly Moore (online), Kimberly Lander (online), Matt Cartier (online), Tanya Haughlin (online), Michelle Gasser

**Minutes:** Motion to approve by Ronalea, second by Andrew, approved unanimously for May 2023 and July 2023 minutes

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### **New Business: Officer Elections**

Chair: DJ Steines

Vice Chair: Liz Berstch

Recorder: Andrew Mauger

Communications: Ronalea Alleman

DAC Liaison: Ishmeet Kalra

Community Representative: Bernadette Amaya, Center for Strength

### **Standing Reports:**

Student Advisory: Amrit Ahuja

- Discuss [Student survey](#) results
- Discussion of positive improvements being implemented this school year (i.e. Access, SBL, etc)

### **On-going Business:**

UIP update: Michelle Gasser

- Shared 2022-23 Student iReady Growth Data, PSAT 8/9 Data, PSAT 10 Data, SAT Data, AP scores
- Some declines seen on reading and math in some grade levels
- PLC meetings this week to go over Student Achievement Data to form goals and needs assessments
- Professional development will align with the needs of staff

Quorum Discussion: Still waiting on answers from legal to clarify. Also discuss removing members if not attended 2 or more meetings and didn't reach out.

### **New Business:**

Discuss implications of MLO/Bond vote by DCSD. Also discussed wording and releasing a SAC Resolution in support for MLO/Bond

Discussed committee alignments

Parent Survey: Tula, Liz, LynAnn

DEI: Ishmeet

UIP: on hold until we know if we need to submit

**Open Forum/Public Comment:** No public comments

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**Next SAC Meeting as posted on the All School Calendar: September 20, 2023 @ 5:30pm**

**Motion to move October meeting to October 11, 2023 by Andrew, second by Morry; approved unanimously.**

**Motion to adjourn by Becky Hathaway, seconded by Ronalea, approved unanimously**

**Adjournment 7:24 pm**

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