



Los Angeles Unified School District
Chester W. Nimitz Middle School
School Site Council Parent/Legal Guardian and
Community Member Election



Minutes

September 12, 2023
12:00 p.m.

In person Meeting Location: Parent Center 103
Zoom Meeting Link: <https://lausd.zoom.us/j/88127137283>

Meeting ID: 881 2713 7283
One Tap Mobile/Conference Call # 1 213 338 8477

- I. **Welcome/Call to Order:** Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, welcomed the participants at 12:10 p.m. and informed them that the election meeting was being recorded.
- II. **Flag Salute:** Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, asked for a volunteer to lead the flag salute. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, led the flag salute in English and Ms. Jeannette Godina led it in Spanish.
- III. **SSC Overview:** Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, gave a brief overview of the School Site Council regarding the purpose and function of the School Site Council, the roles and responsibilities of the members. He provided an explanation of the election procedures and informed participants that there were #3 seats available for parents/legal guardians and community members, if they chose to designate any seats. There was a period for questions and answers. There was a short 3 minute break.
- IV. **SSC Parent/Legal Guardian and Community Member Election:** Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, was the electioneer and declared all seats vacant. He informed the participants that, according to their Bylaws, there were 3 seats available for parents/legal guardians/community. He reminded them that only parents/legal guardians can elect SSC parents/legal guardians and community membership. He also informed them that all parents/legal guardians must take a vote before the election process is open to decide whether or not any seats will be designated to community members. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, informed you that the results of the elections are preliminary until it is verified that the people voting are parents of students at the school.

Motion regarding Community Membership on School Site Council: Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, clarified what it meant to give up seats to community members, and they would speak and vote in their place. He asked parents/legal guardians to make a motion regarding seating assignments to community members and acknowledged Ms. Lluvia Sainz, Mother, who made the 1st motion.

1st Motion: Mrs. Lluvia Sainz, Mother, made the motion to give up seats # 0 to community members. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections, repeated the motion and asked for someone to second the motion. He recognized Mrs. Perla E. Delgado, Mother.

2nd Motion: Mrs. Perla E. Delgado, Mother seconded the motion to give #0 seats to community members. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections showed the Excel sheet with the motion and explained what a "Yes" vote meant and what a "No" vote meant. He reviewed the list of parents/legal guardians in the room and asked if any parent/legal guardian's name was missing. Seeing none, he reminded parents/legal guardians to state their full names and their children's full names and verbally announce "Yes" or "No," and that if a participant did not reveal their name, their vote could not be voted. to be accepted. He stated that there were 12 parents/legal guardians present. He visibly counted the votes and announced the following results. **12** Yes and **0** No. The motion passed.

Election of SSC Parent/Legal Guardians: Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, electioneer, declared all seats vacant and opened the process for nominations. He informed them that there are 3 vacant seats and asked interested parents to nominate themselves. The following parents/legal guardians self-nominated or were nominated:

1. Rain Sainz
2. María Iñiguez
3. Jeannette Godina
4. Isabel Mares
5. José Rocha
6. Xiomara Cruz
7. Diana Maya
8. Ciria González

Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, electionner, asked three times if any other parents/legal guardians were interested in being a member of the School Site Council and at 12:51 p.m. There were no more interested parents. He asked parents/legal guardians to make a motion regarding the closing of nominations and acceptance of nominees as candidates. He recognized Mrs. Perla E. Delgado, Mother, who made the 1st motion.

1st Motion: Mrs. Perla E. Delgado, Mother, made a motion to close the nominations and accept the nominees as candidates. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections, repeated the motion and asked for someone to second the motion. She recognized Mrs. María Iñiguez, Mother.

2nd Motion: Mrs. María Iñiguez, Mother, seconded the motion to close the nominations and accept the nominees as candidates. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections showed the Excel sheet with the motion and explained what a "Yes" vote meant and what a "No" vote meant. He reviewed the list of parents/legal guardians in the room and asked if any parent/legal guardian's name was missing. Seeing none, he reminded parents/legal guardians to state their full names and their children's full names and verbally announce "Yes" or "No," and that if a participant did not reveal their name, their vote could not be counted and would not be accepted. He stated that there were 12 parents/legal guardians present. He visibly counted the votes and announced the following results. **12** Yes and 0 No. The motion passed.

Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections, gave each candidate one (1) minute to explain why they would like to be a member of the SSC. He introduced the participants and reminded each parent/legal guardian that they will vote for one (1) candidate and that the candidate with the highest number of votes would be provisionally seated pending verification. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections led a roll call vote. The voting results were as follows:

Lluvia Sainz, **5** votes, María Iñiguez, 0 votes, Jeannette Godina, **3** votes, Isabel Mares, 1 vote, José Rocha, 0 votes, Xiomara Cruz, 1 vote, Diana Maya, 1 vote, Ciria González, 1 vote

Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections introduced the newly elected SSC parents/legal guardians to the participants and reminded them that they would be provisionally seated pending verification. The newly elected SSC members for (year), pending verification, were: Lluvia Sainz, **5** votes and Jeannette Godina, **3** votes

Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections led another election to break the tie for Parents/Legal Guardians between the following mothers: Isabel Mares, **1** vote, Xiomara Cruz, **1** vote, Diana Maya, **1** vote and Ciria González, **1** vote. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, gave each candidate one (1) minute to state why he would like to be a member of the SSC. He introduced the runoff participants and reminded each parent/legal guardian that they will vote for one (1) candidate and that the candidate with the highest number of votes would be provisionally seated pending verification. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections led a roll call vote. The voting results were as follows: Isabel Mares, **8** votes, Xiomara Cruz, 0 votes, Diana Maya, **2** votes and Ciria Gonzalez, **2** votes

Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections introduced the newly elected SSC mother/legal guardian to the participants and reminded them that she would be provisionally seated pending verification. The newly elected SSC member for 2023-2024, pending verification, was: Isabel Mares, **8** votes.

Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections led another election to break the tie for Alternate Parents/Legal Guardians between the following mothers: Diana Maya, 2 votes and Ciria González, 2 votes. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, gave each candidate one (1) minute to state why he would like to be the SSC Parent/Guardian Alternate. He introduced the runoff participants and reminded each parent/legal guardian that they will vote for one (1) candidate and that the candidate with the highest number of votes would be provisionally seated pending verification. Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP

Coordinator, in charge of the elections led a roll call vote. The results of the vote were as follows: Diana Maya, **1** vote and Ciria González, **11** vote

Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, in charge of the elections introduced the newly elected SSC Parent/Guardian Alternate to the participants and reminded them that she would be provisionally seated pending verification. The newly elected SSC member for 2023-2024, pending verification, was: Ciria González, **11** votes.

V. Announcements: Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, made the following announcements:

- 1st SSC meeting and election of officers will be on September 18, 2023, at 3:15 p.m. in the Parent Center and Via Zoom as it is a hybrid meeting.

VI. Adjournment: Mr. Joel Najjar, TSP Coordinator, adjourned the meeting at 1:36 p.m.