# Meeting Minutes

San Diego Unified School District  
La Jolla High School  
SSC Meeting  
April 4, 2023

## Staff
- Dr. Chuck Podhorsky, Principal (Permanent Member)
- Joe Cavaiola, Vice Principal
- Melanie Menders, Classroom Teacher
- Cathy Hutchins, Classroom Teacher
- Samuel Cisneros, Classroom Teacher/Chair
- Megan Cox, Staff Representative

## Parents/Community Members
- Kim Smith, Parent (year 2 of 2)
- Glenn Morgan, Parent (year 1 of 2)
- Catherine Cox, Student

## Students
- Julyana Martinez Trujillo, Student
- Katherine Cox, Student

### Quorum Met
- Yes ✅
- No

## Item

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<td>Call to Order</td>
<td>- Sam A. Cisneros - SSC Chair</td>
<td>The meeting was called to order at 3:35 pm</td>
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<td>Approval of Minutes</td>
<td>N/A</td>
<td>Cathy Hutchins motioned to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 7, 2023.</td>
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Melanie Menders seconded the motion. The motion carried; the Minutes were approved.

**Public Comment**

- Melanie Menders again raised her displeasure with the number of student athletes who were missing classes to participate in athletic events. CIF inflexibility in scheduling sporting events suggests this will be an ongoing problem for LJHS teachers.

- The lack of a sufficient variety of electives eliminates the possibility of having all math classes at LJHS before lunch. No solution is on the horizon.

- Mr. Morgan asked how we find out who is taking the AP English exams. Cathy Hutchins said that counselors have the information.

- Mr. Cisneros shared that he is working on making Yearbook an A-G elective for VAPA credit to entice more serious students to join the Yearbook staff. Dr. Podhorsky was previously advised of this and is on board.
Mr. Morgan shared that some schools have Journalism & Yearbook as an elective block, proposing a future elective block of journalism electives for LJHS students.

Mrs. Crystal Trull [visiting parent] introduced herself. She is the SDUSD District Advisory Council [DAC] Chairperson. She notified SSC members of the upcoming [April 19] district-wide meeting.

Dr. Podhorsky shared the timeline for reviewing and updating the SPSA [School Plan for Student Achievement] for the coming school year: the document will be available to sites on April 13 and is due with revisions/updates on May 12. SSC’s work will be to align and blend LJHS WASC goals with SPSA goals. Dr. Podhorsky gave a brief overview of the document and where it can be found at the LJHS website.
May SSC meeting will be held on the 2nd Tuesday, 5/9/2023, as Mr. Cisneros will be out of town on 5/2/2023, the original date of the May SSC meeting. SSC will have time to discuss, implement, and vote on revisions to the document prior to submitting it.

### Principal’s Report
- Dr. Chuck Podhorsky - Principal - Informational

No additional Principal’s report.
| Adjournment | Motion to adjourn was called for. Megan Cox raised the motion; Cathy Hutchinson seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 4:03. |