

## Dahlgren School Advisory Committee

### Meeting Minutes

November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025

#### **Attendees:**

Principal Glynis Riccio, SAC President Nikolaus Paterakis, Secretary Valerie San Juan

Parent: Jacqueline Carter-Thomas

#### **Welcome/Introductions/ Meeting Norm**

Norms Reviewed by SAC- chair, Mr. Paterakis

Reports: No prior reports presented, this is our first open meeting

**New Business:** Review Roberts Rules of Order and discussed the procedures for motions, and voting.

**Stakeholders Input:** Google form distributed to gather concerns and discussion topics.

#### **Discussion Topics**

**The following questions were presented to the SAC committee for discussion.**

Question- 1 What is the school culture in DoDEA?

DoDEA has its own set of rules that defines our culture and climate protocol and procedures.

#### **DoDEA school culture & Climate**

**Culture:** Rigorous curriculum, data-driven improvement, social and emotional learning, and professional teacher growth.

**Climate:** Safety and consistency, strong leadership, parent/student engagement, modern facilities.

**Topic- 2-** How can parents support their children's learning at home?

In response to this question, the SAC committee provided links and materials for parents to preview. Ms. Riccio suggested addressing these topics during her monthly Principal's meeting. The topics of interest were social and emotional learning, parental engagement, outdoor play, and tips for supporting students learning at home.

Printed materials were available for review.

Additionally, we discussed STEM and STEAM opportunities for students to partner with the Space Force command to promote awareness of space and other science-related programs. Mr. Paterakis -SAC Chair will sponsor this activity and encourage support from his command. Mrs. Riccio discussed the procedure and policy for submitting a volunteer application and the requirements for participation.

**Topic-3** How are extra curriculum activities selected?

Mrs. Riccio discussed the EDA (Extra Duty Application) and the selection process for teachers to apply. With the understanding that teachers' participation in these programs is on a volunteer basis. Currently, we have the following clubs available for student participation: Reading (K-1, 2-3), Robotics, Anchor for Life, and Seaperch.

**Open Forum:**

Traffic safety concerns: Parent raised issue of speeding and unsafe driving during arrival/dismissal. Actions: Present concern to Base Commander for police support.

Next meeting- February 24<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30

Meeting Adjourned 5:00 pm