

# Meeting Summary SCPC

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## School Community Partnership Council – District Council General Meeting

**Date:** March 23, 2015

**Location:** Tucson Magnet High School Cafeteria, 400 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave

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**Call to Order:** Michelle Simon, 6:15pm

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Michelle Simon

**Attendance:** Michelle Simon (Moderator), Bonnie Klahr (Co-Moderator), Joan Dawson-Werner (Secretary), Kristen Bury (School Board Liaison), Eugene Butler Jr. (Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, Roxanne Begay-James (Director Native American Student Services), Maria Figueroa ( Director Mexican American Student Services, Jimmy Hart ( Director African American Student Services) Designated SCPC representatives (see attendance record).

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### 1. District Update, Eugene Butler Jr., Assistant Superintendent of Student Services

- Adopt a school started 3 years ago and on March 28, 2015 there is an open invitation for anyone wanting to help with painting, planting, etc at the school from 8 am – 12 pm.
- March 10<sup>th</sup> the TUSD board designated Cesar Chavez month. 18 schools will have social movement speeches. A big presentation is at Catalina High School with the speech being given by Cam Juarez.
- 9 weeks left of school and attendance continues to be very important for all students.

### 2. Presentation by Student Services Department:

Roxanne Begay-James, Director Native American Student Services

Maria Figueroa, Director Mexican American Student Services

Jimmy Hart , Director African American Student Services

Tsuru Bailey-Jones, Director Asian Pacific American Student Service (Not present)

- The presentation gave an overview of what student services provides to students.
- African American Student Services website:  
<http://www.tusd1.org/contents/depart/mexicanam/index.asp>
- Asian Pacific American Student Services:  
<http://www.tusd1.org/contents/depart/panasian/index.asp>
- Mexican American Student Services:  
<http://www.tusd1.org/contents/depart/mexicanam/index.asp>
- Native American Student Services: <http://www.tusd1.org/contents/depart/native/staff.asp>
- They all share a similar mission and focus of mentoring, tutoring and academic support of students.
- They all utilize the 4 Pronged Approach which is the A, B, C's of what they do: A-attendance, B-behavior/discipline, C-credit acquisition and recovery, G-grades.
- Refugee student services open the refugee center in 2005. It moved to Family and Community Outreach in 2010.
- They have a Multi-tiered system of supports (MTSS), which provides cultural academic and or behavioral support of students. This is a district wide team approach.
- The outcome is to increase academic achievement and or positive behaviors.
- They continue with Steps to Success that is helping students who have dropped out get the credits they need to graduate.
- Parent university goal is to increase parent participation and connection to their child's school.
- They utilize Academic and Behavioral Supports Coordinators (ABSC),

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- They review discipline data and provide quarterly reports on discipline and respond to court.
- Tutoring is offered with Homework Help and Math and science tutoring on Saturdays throughout the school year.
- They have partnered with Community Organizations.
- Family Engagement Activities include Quarterly parent meetings, Advisory Committees, Referrals to agencies and parent training.
- All parents are invited to parent quarterlies
- Family Center located at 101 West 44<sup>th</sup> Street will open in April.
- The next Family Center will be at Palo Verde High School, opening date TBA
- They will have a total of 4 centers in TUSD.
- The other 2 will be in the southwest part of town and one at Catalina High School.

### **3. Identification of Communication Strategies for SCPC, Stephanie Boe, Communications Director**

- First steps are to define what is SCPC?
- Develop a brand to be identified with SCPC.
- Create a logo
- TO start spreading the news about SCPC we can utilize social media such as Facebook and Twitter.
- Freshen up our current page on the TUSD site and make it easier to find.
- Possible use of Parent Link.
- Possible use of texting services if parents “opt in.”
- Translating the agenda into other languages.

Last call for revisions of by-laws to be sent to Michelle Simon.

Next General Meeting: April 20, 2015 in The Tucson High Magnet School Auditorium.

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:00pm (Michelle Simon)**

**Summary prepared by:** Joan Dawson-Werner 4/7/2015

**Summary Approved:**