



Bennett Elementary

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Danielle Smith, Principal

School Advisory Council Meeting

SAC/SAF Joint Meeting

Thursday, October 1, 2026

2:15-3:00pm

Media Center

1. Welcome and Introductions (10 minutes)

- Welcome and Call to Order
Sara Singh called the meeting to order at 2:15pm
- Establish Quorum
Quorum was established with 7 members out of 13 present.

2. Old Business (10 min)

- Approve September Minutes
Sara Singh Motioned to Approve the September minutes. The motion was seconded by Danielle Smith. & 7 members were in favor of approving the September minutes.

3. Principal's Message (10 minutes)

- District initiatives
There will be a district instructional facilitator coming to Bennett at least once a week to support intermediate grades with math and reading.
- SESIR Updates
No Updates
- Budget: Accountability Funds (\$4,500.16)
Danielle Smith explained that after quarter 1, a needs assessment will be conducted to determine how we can allocate the funds to support student learning.

the importance to the students of being present every day.

4. New Business

- School Improvement Plan & Title 1 Addendum Updates
 - SIP Goal Progress Monitoring
 - *Attendance and Early Warning Indicator (EWI) Update
 - New school attendance initiatives/incentives include shouting out classes with 100% attendance and updating a poster outside each class that displays the daily percentage of attendance, so students have a visual.
 - Family Engagement Activities Update
 - Hispanic Heritage Night will be held in the cafeteria. Parents will have the opportunity to eat popular Hispanic snacks, dance to Hispanic music, and observe the various projects their students created to honor Hispanic Heritage Month.
- Stakeholder Input
 - Mrs. Harley asked if there would be any tangible rewards. Ms. Smith replied that classroom teachers are free to reward their classes as necessary. She stated we need to first advertise

5. SAF Updates (5 min)

There were no new SAF updates.

6. Announcements (10 min)

- Upcoming Events
 - Last day of Book Fair is October 9, 2026
 - Referendum Informational Meeting @ Town Hall- October 7 & 14, 2026
 - PTA fundraiser costume kickoff – October 30, 2026
 - Report Cards issued – October 21, 2026

6. Adjournment (5 minutes)

- Next Meeting Dates:
 - SAC Meeting: Wednesday November 4, 2026
 - SAF meeting to follow
- Adjourn Meeting:
 - Meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm