



Southern Oregon Success Academy

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SOSA Site Council Minutes - December 17, 2025

Members Present: Zandra Jansma, Jessica DeKruiger and Gina Valenzuela

Absent: Michael Herzog, Summer Brown, Corrie Baldwin and Kirstey Forsey

Old Business: Review [Old Business 11/25/25](#)

Duties:

1. The development of plans to improve the professional growth of the school's staff;
2. The improvement of the school's instructional program;
3. The development and coordination of plans for the implementation of programs at the school in accordance with Oregon's Educational Act for the 21st Century;
4. Advising the Board in the development of a plan for school safety and student discipline under ORS 339.333.
5. Provide information and feedback to the Board.

New Business:

Culture and Climate:

1. PY+ monthly activities: The staff and students enjoyed a Holiday Spirit Week before break. In addition PY+ gave away 8 gift cards to students who were lucky enough to be drawn out of a hat.
2. Bean Bag Toss and Whole Food Thursdays: On Thursdays a selected student gets a chance to toss the bean bag and win \$20 for demonstrating one of our core values. This month's core value is Be The Best You. In addition, we recognize students who have perfect attendance and they get a donut reward.

3. The students all received gifts from a private donor. They got to decorate coffee cups to give away or keep and decorate ornaments and take goodies home to share.

Safety:

1. We got new entry locks on the doors.
2. Gate locks coming soon.

Family Involvement:

1. Parent Involvement Night: We are planning on doing our event on April 8th. We are trying to get parents to participate in a reading program with our students that will tie in with our Literacy Night. It will start in January and the students earn points from reading and will get awards at our Literacy Night and a book they handpicked to take home.
2. We had some parents join us for our SOSA's Holiday meal, which was great.

Student Success/Lifelong Learners:

1. We would like to start implementing the following once a month:
 - a. Field Trip: This will be a reward for students with 92% attendance, no behaviors and must be on track.
 - b. Career Presentation: January will be a Forestry presentation.
 - c. Social/Emotional groups: January we are starting our monthly Stay & Play Day where the students can stay after school and play games. We will provide drinks and snacks. January will be Bunco.

Other items to discuss:

1. Fundraising ideas: We will be planning Valentine Candy Grams in February.

Miscellaneous:

Please review our Tile 1 documents:

- a. [Student/Parent/Teacher Compact](#)
- b. [SOSA T1A Schoolwide Plan](#)

Next meeting date and time: 1/12/2025