GUIDELINES FOR OBSERVERS

Thank you for joining our meeting today. We appreciate your interest in SCC’s work and welcome you as an observer! All meetings of the committee are open to public observation, and there will be time available for public comment at the beginning of each SCC meeting.

SCC is a cross-constituent, cross-site committee of PAUSD students, parents, staff and community members, representing diverse demographics and grade levels, from Pre K-12. You may also observe a number of SCC support staff who are not formal SCC members, but who contribute to the committee’s work in a variety of ways, such as facilitating meetings, taking minutes, or providing expert counsel.

SCC is charged with “recommending a framework, standards, learning targets, curricula and a plan for developing the social and emotional competencies of all PAUSD students.” SCC members commit to engage in a fair, rigorous, and collaborative process with the goal of reaching consensus on a set of recommendations to present to the Board of Education by February, 2017. This very important, complex charge is made even more challenging by the heavy time demands required for such a large and diverse committee to process volumes of information, participate equitably, and reach consensus.

Because meeting time is so limited for SCC members to achieve these goals, we regret that only SCC members, support staff, and pre-arranged presenters will be permitted to make verbal comments during SCC meetings once the public comment section of the agenda has ended. As an observer, you are invited to use the back of this sheet to write your reflections, concerns, suggestions, or any other input you would like to share with SCC members. Please submit this sheet to the SCC support staff member taking minutes, who will forward your comments to all committee members after the meeting.

In addition, observers, like all members of the PAUSD community, have a number of ways to stay informed about SCC’s work and provide ongoing input. All meeting dates, agendas, minutes and core documents will be posted on the SCC website, along with links to key research and data reviewed by the committee. You can access SCC’s website at [http://www.pausd.org/committees-task-forces/social-emotional-learning-curriculum-committee](http://www.pausd.org/committees-task-forces/social-emotional-learning-curriculum-committee)

The website has a link to the SCC email account, sccfeedback@pausd.org Emails sent to this address will be forwarded to the appropriate SCC member(s) or support staff. SCC will also be conducting focus groups and reviewing responses and data from a variety of surveys of the PAUSD community.

We request that observers honor the following guidelines during SCC meetings. Please take a seat in the area designated for observers. Please do not raise your hand to be called on during the meeting for the reasons cited above. Please refrain from clapping, whistling or other forms of non-verbal approval or disapproval for particular statements. SCC members are not engaged in an adversarial process. Consensus requires deeply respectful listening and a trusting group dynamic. It is essential to the success of our work that every SCC member feels safe to express her or his opinions, even when they are unpopular or divergent, without fear of being ridiculed, blamed, shamed or pressured.

Thanks again for your interest, presence and support today!

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OBSERVER REFLECTIONS

Meaningful thoughts, big ideas, concerns, or suggestions I had in today’s meeting....

Name (optional)_________________________________            Date______________

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