



**Proposed School Site Renaming Process for
Sutter Middle,
Kit Carson International Academy,
and Peter Burnett Elementary**

Board Meeting
September 3, 2020
Agenda Item 11.1

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*Every system is perfectly designed
to get the results that it gets*

SCUSD CORE VALUE

We recognize that our system is inequitable by design and we vigilantly work to confront and interrupt inequities that exist to level the playing field and provide opportunities for everyone to learn, grow and reach their greatness.

SCUSD GUIDING PRINCIPLE

All students are given
an equal opportunity to graduate
with the greatest number of postsecondary choices
from the widest array of options

OVERVIEW

- The renaming of certain school sites is part of the District's work in dismantling racism from within our system.
- Education Code and Board Policy.
- The District currently has various school sites that contain the names of individuals that perpetuated or condoned racism, oppression, and exclusion.
- Staff recommend focusing on these sites during our initial effort:
 - Kit Carson International Academy
 - Sutter Middle School
 - Peter Burnett Elementary

POLICY

- Board Policy 7310: Naming of Facilities.
- [Long Beach USD sample policy.](#)



PROCESS

1. Board's approval of creating an ad hoc Community Advisory Committee.
2. Receive appointments from each Board Member and Superintendent.
3. Develop a community announcement and survey to gain broader community input.
4. Confirm meeting dates and times with Committee members.
5. Develop meeting materials and conduct virtual meetings through the winter.
6. Come to the Board for a public hearing on this topic at the February 18 Board Meeting, with Board action at a subsequent meeting.

PROPOSED MEETINGS & CONTENT

October 15 – the Board announces renaming committee.

October 29 – Virtual pre-meeting with Principals - Zoom

November 10 – Virtual community meeting to discuss one site name change

December 1 – Virtual community meeting to discuss one site name change

December 8 – Virtual community meeting to discuss one site name change

January 14 – Virtual community meeting to review the three name changes and begin preparing recommendation to the Board of Education

February 18 – Public Hearing at Board Meeting with action to follow at subsequent meeting

SITE-LEVEL PARTICIPANTS/APPOINTEES

- Principal Cristin Tahara-Martin
- Michael Baradat, Sutter Teacher
- Principal Manuel Huevo
- Valerie Chipman, Burnett Instructional Aid
- Principal Santiago Chapa
- Shawn D'Alesandro, Carson IB Coordinator

YOUTH DEVELOPMENT APPOINTEES

- Dahlton Brown, Wilton Rancheria Tribal Member (Youth Development appointee)
- Yahmonee Hedrick, Tribal Administrator and former AIEP and Sutter Middle student
- Susan Morla, Chair of the SCUSD American Indian Education Program Parent Committee

DISTRICT STAFF PARTICIPANTS

- Elena Hankard, Facility Support Services
- Dr. Kimberly MacKey, Instructional Assistant Superintendent
- Nathaniel Browning, Facility Support Services
- Tara Gallegos, Chief Communications Officer

NEXT STEPS

- Have the Board approve the creation of the Community Advisory Committee.
- Receive the names of desired appointments.
- Publish a community announcement and survey early next week.
- Reach out to all appointments to confirm their appointment, share details, and answer questions.
- Work within the Committee structure to develop a list of recommendations for each site that will be shared in a Public Hearing in February.

QUESTIONS