

Nease High School

School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2026 at 8:00 AM

Front Office Conference Room

Attendance:

See attached attendance sheet.

Call to Order:

A meeting of the Nease High School Advisory Council was held in the front office conference room on April 16, 2026. Chair Samantha Baker called the meeting to order at 8:03 AM. Stacie Gopal will record minutes for this meeting.

Review and approval of March Minutes:

Ms. Mazzotta motioned to approve the minutes of March 26, 2026 with no corrections. Motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

Budget Report Presented by Becky Patel

Account 1 \$77,672.00

- Discrepancy noted; bookkeeper reflected balance of \$95,844.13. Clarification will be provided at next meeting.

Account 2 \$2,311.02 (no change)

Motion to approve budget made by Ms. Chiriboga and passed unanimously by show of hands.

Funding Requests:

- Ms. Kilpatrick requested \$4,215.50 for pH probes and spectrophotometers. Ms. Amato motioned to approve in full and passed unanimously by show of hands.
- Mr. Smith provided update from recent conference and requested \$3,223.00 to purchase a Peter Puggler Ball Mill and associated accessories. Ms. Chiriboga motioned to approve in full and passed unanimously by show of hands.
- Mr. DeVos requested \$4,136 to attend a workshop for AP Macroeconomics and AP Microeconomics. (Mr. DeVos unable to attend in person; Ms. Mazzotta spoke on his behalf.) Ms. Fertig motioned to approve in full and passed unanimously by show of hands.

Principal's Report Mrs. Gina Fonseca

Updates provided on the "Future Freshman" night, sports, and upcoming testing season. Proctors are needed.

School Improvement Plan (Goal Updates):

No new content to be shared.

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New Business/Q&A:

- School Recognition Funds 2025-2026 school year plan: Ballots regarding allocation of funds from last year reviewed. Ms. Mazzotta recommends combining into a single electronic ballot and add a summary of what SAC funded this year for reference. Motion to approve stated changes made by Ms. Lemos and passed unanimously by show of hands.
- SAC member survey open until May 8, 2026; voting members encouraged to complete.
- Planning for 2026/2027 SAC: District now requiring only quarterly meetings for SAC next year. SAC Chair and/or Co-Chair must be named by next meeting. Ms. Fertig offered to serve as co-chair with Samantha Baker. Ms. Amato motioned to approve appointments and passed unanimously by show of hands.

Old Business:

SAC Needs Assessment Survey (Student/Parent/Staff) results presented and reviewed.

Open Agenda (Public comments):

Ms. Chiriboga asked about IB access at Nease High School for Beachside High School students. Dr. Dresback explained policy was changed in October 2025 to improve accessibility, however implementation is ongoing.

Next Meeting Date, Time, and Location:

The next meeting will be held on May 21, 2026 at 8:00 AM in the front office conference room at Nease High School.

Meeting Adjournment:

Mr. Heiry motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 AM which carried unanimously by show of hands.

Submitted by:

Stacie Gopal

Secretary

Approval date: May 21, 2026

SAC Membership Attendance

SAC Group Representative (Officers)	Member Name	25-26 SAC Meeting Dates									
		8/21	9/18	10/16	11/20	1/15	2/19	3/26	4/16	5/21	
Principal	Gina Fonseca								✓		
Parent (Chair)	Samantha Baker								JB		
Instructional	Tara Amato								TJA		
Student	Jackson Baker								JB		
Parent	Daniela Chiriboga								Dch		
Parent	Ushakiran Devagiri								E		
Instructional	Kelsey Fertig								EF		
Student	Lila Gopal								LG		
Parent (Secretary)	Stacie Gopal								SG		
Non-Instructional	Thomas Heiry								TH		
Instructional	Emily Lemos								EL		
Instructional	Audrey Mazzotta								AM		
Student	Richard Joseph McKenzie								RM		
Parent	Laura McKenzie								LM		
Instructional	Carolyn Milian								CM		
Parent (Treasurer)	Rebecca Patel								RP		
Parent	Elaine Vulcano								EV		
Student	Luke Williams								LW		
Parent	Jenny Yan								✓		
SAC Date	Non-Member Participants *** PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY *** Kelly Barrera, School Board Representative ✓ 646-539-8261 online Jenny Yan Dr. Dresbake										