

Nease High School

School Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

August 20, 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 August 20, 2026. Chair Samantha Baker called the meeting to order at 8:02 AM. Stacie Gopal will record minutes for this meeting.

Review and Approval of May Minutes:

Ms. Amato motioned to approve the minutes of May 21, 2026 with no corrections. Motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

Budget Report: Presented by Samantha Baker. Account balances as of June 30, 2026:

Account 1 School Recognition Funds \$100,783.10

Account 2 SAC Funds \$3,206.22

Motion to approve budget made by Ms. Lemos which passed unanimously by show of hands.

Funding coordination with other School Support Organizations "review of decision tree" presented by Samantha Baker.

Fund Requests:

- Mr. Sobol provided an update on SCAD forum he attended and expressed gratitude for this opportunity funded by SAC.
- Ms. Fleischman requested \$2,181.64 for an Epson Perfection Scanner and memory card. Ms. Amato motioned to approve request in full. Motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

Principal's Report: Presented by Dr. Dresback

- Reinforced that the principal is a non-voting member of SAC.
- Mr. Coghlan is recovering well; his return date is unclear at this time. English department is collaborating to ensure classes are covered on his behalf.
- There are 3 open positions: Instructional literacy coach, virtual assistant, and the ELA position was recently filled with anticipated start date of August 31st
- Turf field and track renovation updates provided
- Homecoming dance October 3rd
- Excel update; expressed that he is thankful for parent volunteers
- Club fair next week
- Appreciative of support of SJCS board members Kelly Barrera and Beverly Slough

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Student Spotlight: Jackson Baker

- Shared experience of Electrathon Racing at Daytona Speedway

Old Business:

The 2026/27 SAC meeting calendar was reviewed by Samantha Baker.

New Business Samantha Baker

Membership Discussion- New members will be voted on next meeting.

Attendees encouraged to complete the membership interest form online.

Ms. Mazzotta volunteered to serve as treasurer. Motion made by Samantha Baker to appoint Ms. Mazzotta as treasurer; motion passed unanimously by show of hands.

School Improvement Plan by Ms. Fertig

Growth demonstrated across accountability components. School data presented.

Goals for this year:

- Increase learning gains for SWD (Students with Disabilities) by 2% for ELA and Math. (This refers to students with an IEP.)
- Increase college and career acceleration to reach 90%
 - Having 90% of students taking or earning at least one AP/IB/AICE course, certifications from academies, CTE, Dual Enrollment course
- Increase student attendance by 3% and reduce chronic absenteeism by 3% (current rate of chronic absenteeism is 8%)

Open Agenda/Q&A:

- Chris Farlow questioned how to encourage social opportunities for her freshmen son and received various suggestions.
- Ms. Milian requested volunteers to serve on the Media Advisory Committee.
 - Daniela Chiriboga, Chris Farlow and Laura McKenzie volunteered to serve.
- Protocol and limit for SAC funds requests were discussed.

Next Meeting Date, Time, and Location:

The next meeting will be held on September 17, 2026 at 8:00 AM in the front office conference room at Nease High School.

Meeting Adjournment:

Ms. Lemos motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 AM which carried unanimously by show of hands.

Submitted by:

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Stacie Gopal

Secretary

Approval date: September 17, 2026



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SAC Membership Attendance

Members, initial meeting date, V= Virtual A= Absent, E = Excused **QUORUM** (51%, 10 members) **YES NO**

SAC Group Representative (Officers)	Member Name	26-27 SAC Meeting Dates									
		8/20	9/17	10/15	11/19	1/21	2/18	3/25	4/15	5/20	
Principal	Kyle Dresback	20									
Parent (CoChair)	Samantha Baker	SB									
Instructional (CoChair)	Kelsey Fertig	KF									
Instructional	Tara Amato	TA									
Student	Jackson Baker	JB									
Parent	Daniela Chiriboga	DCh									
Parent	Ushakiran Devagiri	UD									
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	Rebecca Patel	E									
Parent	Elaine Vulcano	online									
Student	Luke Williams	LR									
Parent	Jenny Yan	JY									
SAC Date	Non-Member Participants *** PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY ***										
8/20/26	Kelly Barrera, School Board Representative - online online: James, JC,										
8/20/2026	RACHEL FLEISCHMAN Stanislaw K, Tatyana,										
8/20/26	Matt Meunier Jenny Stelakis,										
8/20/26	Mary Rose Kaplan Jermaine White,										
8/20/26	Hannah Buck Laura Distelhorst										
8/20/26	Krista Cutler Amber Gearhart										
8/20/26	CHRIS FARLOW → requests email to be PROVIDEDNEASEmom@gmail.com										
8/20/26	Jason Sobol										
8/20/26	Prathima Vadire										
8/20/2020	Elizabeth Samuels										
8/20/26	Kira Gopal										
8/20/26	Amelia Morrow										

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