

**Minutes**  
**Jerome Mack Middle School**  
**School Organizational Team Meeting**  
**Principal's Virtual Meeting**  
**May 17, 2021**

SOT Minutes 5/17/21

Present:

Rosalia Bautista – Parent  
Cynthia Daniels – Teacher  
Gail Garrett – Support Staff  
Betsy Gillis – Teacher  
Antoinette Graham – Parent  
Karen Villatoro-Gonzalez – Parent/Teacher

Roxanne James, Principal

**Reployment:**

- Starts next week
  - Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> will be 8<sup>th</sup> grade reployment
  - Times are from 8am – 11am & 4pm – 7pm
- Parents will drop off instruments/computers
- Staff will give out certificates to all students

\*Question: can we accept siblings' items from different grade levels? – yes.  
Will computers be serviced this summer? - yes

**Korda:**

- Staff has voted and teams have been chosen
- Training will start in August

**Grading Reform:**

- Grading reform requested by educators
- Current system skewed toward failing
- Educators requested reform that leans more toward the college system – 0-4 system
  - Would give kids more chances
- Still awaiting approval from the school board. Will share with the community once the reform has been approved.
- Part of the reform will be to define the citizenship grade.
  - Schools will institute a citizenship grade that will be less subjective

- The district is separating behavior from academic performance

\*Betsy proposed a motion for the SOT to approve grading reform  
SOT supports reform unanimously

**Pilot Program Update:**

- We have been formerly accepted as a pilot school – more information to follow

**Future Agenda Planning**

- Meeting scheduled tentatively for August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021