

# Ella J. Baker Montessori

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**SDMC Meeting 3: December 5, 2023**

## **AGENDA & Minutes**

- Introductions:
  - SPARK Committee Members
  - Existing SDMC Members
  - New Student Government Representatives
- Spark Park Renovation Updates with Ms. Kathleen Ownby & Ms. Cheryl Huffman
  - [Budget](#): Committee reviewed the budget outline. There is a remaining cost of approximately \$16,000 that would need to be raised in order to complete the existing renovation plan.
  - Timeline: Equipment is en route and it is likely that installation will occur over winter break.
  - Next Steps:
    - We will present the remaining costs to the PTO board for approval to move forward with ordering the final items including gaga pit kit, chess tables, benches, and field striper. Approval needed before Winter Break.
    - Ownby will reach out to Shampine regarding water pump functionality.
    - Huffman will provide us with a confirmed price for the gaga pit and provide bench options.
- Campus Updates
  - Student Attendance: 95.8%
    - Estimated \$44,000 Lost Due to Attendance
    - Attendance meetings are being scheduled with parents whose students have missed more than 10 days. Attendance contracts have been sent out.
  - Enrollment: 620
    - This is an increase from last school year due to our Lower Elementary classroom expansion.
  - Student Government
    - Student government meets every other week and meetings have already started. Students will be forming committees to work on specialized projects. Additionally, the students voted to move forward with implementing a student mediation program which we will be discussing in January in more detail.
- School Improvement Plan Approval
  - [Copy of the plan available here.](#)
  - Review of the School Improvement Plan. Goals were aligned to the School Action Plan reviewed in the previous SDMC meeting.

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- School Improvement plan was approved by the committee.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 16th**

Proposed Agenda Items