Scripps Ranch Schools Committee Meeting

September 16, 2026, at 4:30 pm

Scripps Mesa STEAM Lab
10400 Spring Canyon Road
San Diego, CA 92131

Or Join via Zoom
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Topic: Learner-Centered Technology (Screen Time) Use Policy Updates

Member Attendance: (+ indicates present)

SRSC Chair – Pete Cordero +
SRSC Co-Chair – Christina Riehl +
SRSC Parliamentarian – Corey Bernardo +
SRSC Legislative Advisor – Sandra Atkinson +
SRSC Secretary – Courtney O'Rourke +

SDUSD SR Cluster Area A Superintendent– Maria Gomez +
Dingeman Principal – Dusty Pedrotti +
Dingeman FFC President-Claudine Ricanor Kollmeyer +
Dingeman FFC VP-Nesra Senol +
EBS Principal – Mark Morici +
EBS FFO- Tammy Babin
Jerabek Principal – Jonathan McDade +
Jerabek FFO Co-president- Jessica Hayden
Jerabek FFO Co-president- Devon Dubois
MRE Principal – Carolyn Kalicki +
MRE FFA Pres – ?
MRE FFA Vice President- Kevin Werner
MRE FFA Rep. – Naomi Chavez
Marshall Principal – Stephen Olds +
Marshall MMO Pres - Suresh Menon
Marshall MMO Exec VP – ?
SRHS Principal – Matt Lawson +
SRHS Fdn VP – Bethani Bernaba +

Public Attendance

Toren Allen - Executive Director, Integrated Technology
Gail Faber- SRHS Foundation Past President
Megan Vaz- MRE parent
Joy W
Paulina Collins-parent
James Collins-parent
Natalia Sych-parent
Gary Gallego-parent
Todd Levinson-parent
Sabrina Bazzo-SDUSD Board Trustee
Lauren Ly- SDUSD Student Board Member
Kevin Werner-MRE parent
Zeenal Patel-parent
Nitya Gupta-parent
Mridhula Upadhya-EBS parent
Tamara Hurley-community member
Naomi Chavez- MRE parent and co-chair of PE sales with MMS FFO
Rawan
Srikanth-Dingeman and MMS parent
Traci Johnson
Meagan Knepp-MRE parent
Marjorie Jones-Bias;: Navy School Liaison
Kristin Schwartz-Jerabek parent and Restaurant Fundraiser chair with MMS FFO
Kelly Cordero-Jerabek parent
Tyler Rudolph-Jerabek parent
Ling-Chih Kao
David Stu
Amie B.
Jill Harris

Agenda

I. Call to Order: Chair Pete Cordero and Co-Chair Christina Riehl 4:30 pm

a. Meeting called to order at 432pm

II. Approval of August 2026 Minutes 4:33 pm

a. Motion to approve minutes: Atkinson, second: Bernaba.
b. All in favor. Motion to approve minutes passed unanimously.

III. Learner-Centered Technology Use (screen time) Policy Updates 4:35 pm

A. Speaker: Toren Allen - Executive Director, Integrated Technology

a. Mr. Allen provided a summary of what the district is working on with regards to learner-centered technology use.

b. **Completed Actions:** As of August 10, the district has prohibited video streaming and non-instructional gaming, and removed computer carts from TK classrooms.

c. **Current Transitions:** Second-grade devices are moving from a take-home model to a **CART model** by the end of the calendar year.

d. **Upcoming Initiatives:** Parent training for online control tools and filters will begin in October, alongside the launch of grade-level appropriate digital citizenship and cybersecurity lessons.

e. **Governance:** A **Learner-Centered Technology Committee** (including parents, students, and an independent researcher) will hold its first meeting on September 23 to determine data collection methods and software approval standards.

f. **Future Reporting:** The committee's findings and recommendations will be presented to the board in early 2027 (likely February).

g. Presentation: Scripps Cluster Mtg - Learner-Centered Technology …

h. https://sandiegounified.community.diligentoneplatform.com/document/e35090cd-69fd-4391-87c6-123fdfab80ec/

B. Question and Answer

1. During the June meeting a board member mentioned a review process for research. What is vetting process for this? (Levinson) A: This will be

discussed on the committee level
2. Pedrotti stated second grade is not bringing devices home.
3. Is there data on the teachers' usage of screens during a class?(Gallego) A: We can certainly do that but it is hard to differentiate if the teacher is using a screen for classwork or not.
4. Is there a definition of technology- like computer vs projector vs screen? What is screen time? (parent) A: The committee will be working through these questions and defining what screen time is.
5. A recommendation was made to make sure the committee to be reflective. Also, a recommendation that the committee be open to the public. It is currently not public (parent)

6. What will be the avenues for additional feedback and comments from individuals outside the committee? (parent) A: this will be discussed at the first meeting.
7. The District and Board is trying to get more feedback like via surveys-Bazzo
8. Will the minutes and findings of each Committee meeting be made public? (Levinson) A: Not know at this time.
9. What is within the scope of this Committee? (Harris)A: AI is separate. Screen use, minutes of screen time, software approval process are part of the resolution.
10. When will TK cart be out, etc? (Faber) A: Already done.
11. The teachers are playing YouTube as part of instruction. Is there a plan to remove the ads from YouTube? (parent) A: We are looking at the applications that have the ads. There are no ads in the software that have been vetted by the District.
12. A general effort to remove screen times in younger grades should not take that long, right? (Gallego) A: there is more to it. There is curriculum built on platforms that require screens.
13. I understand about the curriculum part of technology, but what about playing games being lead by the teachers? (parent) A: That is part of the resolution. The committee will be working through that.
14. Who will decide what kinds of things are accessible on the devices? (parent) A: The District will be working through that.
15. Comment from Bazzo: The teachers and district are working on this. They are not waiting, for example, for the committee.
16. Comment Faber: It seems like there a lot of unknowns right now. It is premature for the District to say "no more YouTube" , for example.

IV. Legislative Updates 5:05 pm Sandra Atkinson - Legislative Advisor

1. These are statewide laws.
2. New Office of Civil Rights to Open
3. Parents can't be jailed for truancy. Fine up to $2000
4. Gender neutral bathrooms are required except in schools that only have

one male and female bathroom.

5. Cellphone use to be limited.
6. Shielding schools from immigration raids- California Safe Haven Schools.
    i. Attorney General's office has information online -Riehl
        1. https://oag.ca.gov/system/files/media/school-guidance-model-k12.pdf

7. Protecting preschools, preparing families.
8. Easing the road to college
9. Student IDs to include suicide hotline number.
10. Early education to take seats on the board.
11. There is more legislation coming out

V. District Update

A. Area Superintendent Maria Gomez 5:15 pm
    a. Superintendent Update- We have several platforms to try and get in touch with parents. It is different at each school. She would like to eliminate that and use one platform for communication for all.

B. Ms. Sabrina Bazzo, Trustee, San Diego Unified School District

-One of the biggest issues has been the air conditioning in the heat. Lawson- still have some classrooms without AC. There are 2 techs on campus working on it.

-Schools are older and AC was not needed at this level in the past.

-Measure M: Bond measure for San Diego Unified to provide 3 billion for the physical structures of the schools for modernization, updates, construction. No tax increase.

-Faber: where is the money coming from? A: We have bonds that are running out and these bonds will take their place.

C. Student Board Member: Lauren Ly (student from SRHS)

Thanked the Committee for being active adults in the community and advocating for education.

VI. Open Items 5:25 pm

1. Jerabek had an AC issue. A generator was brought in and woke up the whole neighborhood. Can this be turned off at night? (parent) McDade: It has been shut off but it puts the AC off.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 527pm (Cordero)

Next Meeting: October 21, 2026 @ 4:30 pm
(Location TBA)
Topic: Mental Health Resources

Note: Virtual attendees should use an accurate screen name and list their name and the school or organization they represent in the chat for our record keeping. Thank you for your cooperation.

2026-2027 *Meeting dates: Meetings are held every third Wednesday at 4:30 during the school year. October 21, November 18, January 20, February 17, March 17, April 21: Locations TBA.*