

Santiago Hills Elementary School
School Site Council Meeting
Minutes

Date: Tuesday, September 29, 2009

Location: Santiago Hills Elementary School
Meeting Room
29 Christamon West
Irvine, CA 92620

I. Call to Order:

The SSC meeting was called to order by Mr. Schlichting at 7:18 a.m.

SSC Members Present:

Tawna Canhoto - Parent
Steven Dong – Parent
Julie Kaplan - Parent
Steven Tatone - Parent
Beatrice Tseng-Chen - Parent
Alan Schlichting - Principal
Karen Eckelbarger - Teacher
Dominique Grenier – Classified Staff
Maureen Hinshaw – Teacher
Kathie Wilhelm - Teacher

II. a) Approval of the Agenda:

The SSC agenda was sent home to all members for review.

Principal Schlichting made a motion to approve the agenda. **Ms. Grenier** seconded it. The agenda was approved as proposed and written.

b) Approval of the minutes:

Mr. Tatone made a motion to approve the minutes from the June 11th, 2009 meeting. **Mrs. Kaplan** seconded it. The minutes were preliminarily approved pending on the following change: under Old business, returning staff were Couron, Grenier, Eckelbarger, and Hinshaw, and not Granbery.

III. New Business:

For the first meeting of the year, Principal Schlichting prepared a binder for each member containing information about the School Site Council; he briefly went over its content.

Principal Schlichting also welcomed all members and asked each one to introduce himself/herself. He reported that originally there were seven parents interested in the four SSC positions but only four sent him a paragraph of intent to be included in the ballot; therefore, Principal Schlichting, after consulting with other SSCs, decided to invite these four parents to the SSC meeting.

Teacher Hinshaw made a motion to accept the ballot as is with four names since only four parents are needed. **Mrs. Tseng-Chen** seconded it. Motion was carried unanimously and Mr. Dong, Mrs. Kaplan, Mrs. Canhoto and Mrs. Carr were voted as members of the 2009-2010 SSC.

Mrs. Kaplan asked **Principal Schlichting** about the responsibilities of the president and other four positions: vice president, parliamentarian, and secretary. After Principal Schlichting's description, **Mrs. Tseng-Chen** made the motion to vote for the 2009-2010 officers as follow: Steven Tatone as president, Steven Dong as VP, Julie Kaplan as parliamentarian, and Beatrice Tseng-Chen as secretary. **Mrs. Canhoto** seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

IV. Principal's report:

Principal Schlichting reported that in the past, the SSC had control of the SLIP fund. The state has created a mega fund by taking several funds and adding them into a big fund. For next meeting, **Principal Schlichting** will have more details about this mega fund. All we do know is that it's a 40% reduction in comparison to last year's IUSD fund (still, this is better than what most school have). We do not receive much state funding because we are not a Title 1 district. General budget this year is approximately \$2,202,000.

Mr. Tatone, a soccer coach in Northwood High, keeps a wish list. This has worked really well; parents have contributed money and/or services. **Principal Schlichting** said the PTA provides about \$60,000 every year – mostly used for salary, supplies and other needs. At the next staff meeting, **Principal Schlichting** will ask the teachers for their wish list. **Mrs. Kaplan** said that in Sierra Vista Middle School, teachers sent home a wish list – paper towels, hand sanitizers, etc. **Teacher Hinshaw** said that the district has put some warnings about sending a wish list. **Mrs. Tseng-Chen** suggested that teachers send their wish list to the room rep so he/she can forward it to all parents. **Mrs. Kaplan** suggested to do this at the beginning of each trimester.

V. **Proposed agenda items for the October 15, 2009 meeting:**

- a) Staff wish list
- b) Mega fund details
- c) Star test results

VI. **Adjournment:**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 a.m. **Principal Schlichting** gave a tour of the renovated school to the parents of the SSC.

Minutes taken and submitted by,
Beatrice Tseng-Chen
SSC Secretary