

School Site Council Meeting Dec 18, 2007

1. Attendance:

ChrissAnn Shane, Becky Goodman, Kathie Allen, Del Self, Christine Lee Finn, Nancy Werth, Nicole Calderin, David Frerichs, Gai Ramesh, Sanjay Dalala

Did not attend: Bonnie Stephens, Carla Cashman, Amy Bass

2. Meeting called to order at 2:45 pm

3. Motion to approve minutes from November 20, 2007 meeting – Approved – 2:48 pm

4. Meeting Agenda

Kathie:

Adding a topic – Discrepancies in scores between different ethnic groups – assessment results in Star test

ChrissAnn:

Single Plan for Student Achievement – Action Plan

Postpone approval for targets until next meeting. Sent into district office. They will be reviewing it until January. There may be revisions.

California DSA Application

We could become California Distinguished School again. What benefit do we get? Another Gold Plaque. Who pays? We do. We could only become eligible for Blue Ribbon if we have a 15 point increase. Our Test Scores make us eligible to write. Seven sections – Three components.

Technology Update – District office will support. We will use our LAB.

Wireless:

Principal Shane asked for Wireless Network to be moved forward. Wireless Network is almost finished, and should be completed by January.

An idea was discussed on whether the wireless network can be gifted (sold) to parents who are waiting. Gai would ask the district on whether the wireless network can be leased to parents.

Laptops:

Gai: Laptop requirements for the district – Dell Inspiron 1720 – \$1,554 per laptop includes Tax. Business Edition. 17 inch monitor increases the cost by \$200. Full Keyboard. Intel processor not an AMD. Commercial Quality. 29 teachers would like laptops. Total cost for 15 inch laptops: \$39,266 approximately. We would save \$5,800 if

we do 15 inch screen. Should every teacher get laptop? 1 per class. Gai will check 15 inch laptops configuration that can be approved.

Action Items:

Laptop Budget – SLIP Fund - \$10,000 set aside. Talked to PTA on Tuesday – possibly another \$10,000. Total discretionary block grant: \$17,001. Everyone is excited. Total of \$37,001 possibly available for all the laptops. We are short by about \$2,265 if we go with 15 inch laptops.

Vote for \$27,000 budget for 15 inch Dell laptops – as many as we can purchase within this budget. Motion to approve. Motion second. Motion favor. YEA. Approved.

Labs: How much would it take to get the primary Lab up and running? Primary Lab is fine. We don't have a printer for the primary Lab.

Aides: We are not completely finished with Aides. We need more information from Payroll.

Motion to approve Laminator Contract, Masters and Ink and Reading Counts Tests. Motion second. Motion favor. YEA. Approved.

Quizdom – open item. It is on district technology plan. Handheld device so that every child can participate in the lesson. It helps the kids who are so shy. Audio enhancement. Can be used for United Streaming. Costs \$1,500. Is there only one company that sells it? One company that the district supports. Can we do Jogathon? This year we are doing for the laptops. Possibly next year. This could theoretically improve student performance. Slip fund could possibly go towards Audio enhancements.

Title 1 Eligibility: We have fallen out of eligibility. District will float us one more year. Because they are doing it for us and another school – same pie is being split further. Amount of money per child is dwindled. Bonnie – our Title 1 teacher – her contract will be cut from 100% to 50%. This year, 75% paid out of Title 1. Important to benefit the kids now and use the Title 1 funds. Effective next school year. Title 1 is determined by number of students on Free and Reduced Lunch. Next Year – it will be written in all languages for improving the qualification process. Presentation to group to give us a good understanding on what Bonnie is specifically doing. Give us an understanding on how to assign priorities – good background info. Ask Melody (sp.) to come and provide info on this. EIRM is not Title 1. How does Title 1 help the overall performance? Bonnie meets with every teacher, gets a group of 20, documents the growth – sometimes make more than one school year growth – lot of instruction, grammar, writing, etc. What happens after next year? No Title 1 fund to pay for a specialist. Free and Reduced lunch happens to determine Title 1. Oct 31 of next year is the cutoff date. Can the form become mandatory? Yes or No. We could target when we send it to the parents. 2009 – 2010 school year is when it applies. What's the minimum requirement? 6.41% or about 60 kids total.

Next Meeting – Further information on Title 1 programs. Assessment data for various ethnic groups.

Meeting adjourned at 4 pm.