

SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MINUTES

Eagle Rock Junior/Senior High School

School Improvement Program

Meeting on Tuesday, March 25, 2008, at 3:20 p.m. in the Faculty Cafeteria

Members of the School Site Council (SSC) 2007-08

Alvarado, Vanessa (student)*
Early, Stephan (teacher)
Escobar-Vallecillo, Laura (student)*
Flatley, Mark (teacher)*
Jaramillo, Lorena (parent)*
Kinney, Cliff (teacher)
McKenzie, Charity (parent)
Nobregas, Barbra (parent)*
Raspa, Nina (student)*
Reyes, Nicole (student)
Rivera, Lucia (other school pers)
Sarabia, Everett (community)*
Tomikawa, Vicki (teacher)*
Velasco, Salvador (principal)*
Ward-Roncalli, Susan (teacher)*
Williams, Stephen (other school pers)*

Coordinator:

Alan Takagaki (coordinator)

Guests:

Chavira, Brandy (CEAC Chair)
Estrada, Delia (Assistant Principal)*
Geltz, Jeff (Assistant Principal)
Hood, Connie (Literacy Coach)*
Kodani, Jim (Dist. 4)*
Lampson, Virginia (Parent, Com Facil)
Levitsky, Anna (EL - ELAC)*
Loheed, Beth (Literacy Coach)*
Lord, Janet (Assistant Principal)
Rodriguez, Rosanna (Parent)
Steiner, Daniel (Title I-CEAC)*
Zerfu, Makonnen (Math Coach)

*Denotes SSC Member Attendance
16 members, quorum = 9 members

Chairperson – Nina Raspa
Vice-Chairperson – Nicole Reyes
Secretary – Laura Escobar-Vallecillo
Parliamentarian – Vanessa Alvarado

Ms. Nina Raspa, SSC chairperson, called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m. Ms. Laura Escobar-Vallecillo, SSC secretary, called roll and seventeen persons were present at the meeting, including eleven voting SSC members.

The minutes were presented from the meeting of February 25, 2008. Mr. Williams made the motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Ward-Roncalli seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by acclamation.

New Business:

Mr. Velasco introduced his guest, Mr. Jim Kodani, District 4 Director of Secondary Schools.

Budgets for 2008-09 (within S046 - Title I) under object code 2303 (Classified Office Personnel - Supplemental):

- Supplemental hours for Senior Office Technician-Bilingual for the summer 2008. Cost for 264 hours: approx. \$4,390
- Supplemental hours for MicroComputer Assistant for the summer 2008. Cost for 240 hours: approx. \$4,848

Mr. Velasco presents the budget transfers and recommends approval. Ms. Alvarado requests to combine the two budget transfers in a single motion. Mr. Sarabia asked if the CEAC made a recommendation regarding the proposed budget items. Mr. Williams makes the motion to approve the budget transfers and to revisit the issue if the CEAC does not present the recommendation to approve the budget transfer. Mr. Flatley seconds the motion. The motion is approved by a vote of 10-0-1.

Committee Reports:

- *CEAC Report* - Mr. Steiner announced that the 12th Annual Parent Summit would take place on April 12, 2008. Ms. Levitsky stated that a flyer was included in the newsletter. Ms. Jaramillo is the CEAC representative to the district. The CEAC continues to seek ways to increase parent involvement.
- *College Office Report* - Mr. Williams announced that College Knowledge Night on April 10th is open to the community. Assemblyperson Anthony Portantino will present information about college.

New SAT prep courses for the SAT test are beginning of Saturdays and Tuesday/Thursdays. LACC classes are continuing and the Economics class is going very well with over 40 students. A new art class will be offered during the summer. Also this year there has been a great senior acceptance rate to colleges.

Committee Reports:

- *English Learners Advisory Council (ELAC)* - Ms. Levitsky reported that on Saturday, March 15th over 40 parents of 9th grade students completed the parenting classes presented by School for Parents. These classes may not be available next year as the budgets will be cut. The ELAC completed district surveys at the last ELAC meeting. Parents were also given County Board of Education handbooks on the requirements for high school graduation.
- *Literacy Coaches* - Ms. Loheed and Ms. Hood presented a packet on the role of instructional coaches at the high schools. Ms. Hood stated that they support students in graduating high school. Only 70% of students are able to pass the college entrance test essay portion. Students need to be proficient in narrative, expository, persuasive writing and response to literature essays. Ms. Jaramillo asked if parents have access to the EAP tests or CAHSEE tests. Ms. Hood stated no but that samples were available online. Ms. Estrada stated that the CAHSEE pass rate at ERHS is great compared to other schools. She also stated the school needs to up the bar. If students pass the EAP essay exam, they will not need to take the freshman remedial English course in college. Mr. Sarabia suggested that we have intervention for 10th graders since there are math programs for 7th and 9th graders.
- *Photocopier Update* - Mr. Steiner stated that we might need to budget equipment funds for broken copiers in the mathematics department and also fund excess copies.
- *Testing*: Mr. Steiner reported that 9th graders need to pass their Physical Fitness exams (5 of 6 exams) in order not take additional PE classes in grades 11 and 12.

Mr. Flatley wants to suggest under new business for the next meeting the recognition of academics, as mainly athletics are recognized at pep rallies. Mr. Sarabia suggested that we find ways to encourage the Academic Decathlon.

Ms. Levitsky commented that when her students test out of ESL and are redesignated, she has a ceremony and certificates are presented. Parents really enjoy this ceremony and recognition.

The next SSC meeting will be on Tuesday, April 29, 2008 at 3:20 p.m. in the Faculty Cafeteria.

Adjournment - Mr. Williams moved to adjourn and the SSC seconded the motion. The motion was approved by acclamation and the meeting was adjourned at 4:14 p.m.

Notes taken by Laura Escobar and Vanessa Alvarado