

**Philomath Middle School  
Site Council 2009-2010**

**Minutes**

**Tuesday—April 6, 2010**

Present: Carmen Martin, Nancy Thompson, Jackie Pendergrass, Steve Bell, Diane Crocker, Tom Klipfel, and Amanda Andersen

Began: 3:24pm

1. Student Led Conferences April 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>
  - a. Diane said that she had about 3 calls for conference time changes.
  - b. Nancy expressed concern about not giving parents time for individual conferences, but it was mentioned that this is not a busy conference period and they would most likely not be necessary. The conferences are a work in progress.
  - c. Consequences for not attending conferences
    - i. Teachers will have a check-off sheet to track who attends.
    - ii. Students can take home their portfolio and do an “at-home” conference.
    - iii. Students will conference with a staff member at school.
    - iv. Teachers can make the completion of the conference a graded assignment.
  - d. Feedback was given on the Parent Survey.
  - e. The survey will be in the students' portfolios and parents will give it to the advisory teacher to be entered into the grade-level drawing.
2. Strengthening Rural Families “What Makes Your Child Tick?” Class
  - a. Low enrollment (5 signed up so far)
  - b. Mr. Panico sent out a broadcast email to all families that had submitted their emails to the school reminding/informing them about the class.
  - c. Encourage families to sign up for this class.
3. Career Day
  - a. Could be streamlined more to make it less work.
  - b. Discussion of a 3 year rotation of school-wide activities to make it different each year.
    - i. Play at a theater
4. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dessert Dance
  - a. Dance will be from 7pm-10pm (one hour later) on June 4<sup>th</sup>.
5. School Bond Measure
  - a. On the ballot for May
  - b. Community/parents can speak at district events. Staff should remain neutral.
  - c. Staff may not use school time or equipment to promote the bond measure.
  - d. Tom Klipfel will present the bond measure at the upcoming district band concert.
6. Next meeting May 13th
7. Adjourned 4:08