

## PMS Site Council minutes 9-9-09

Members present: Steve Bell, Amanda Andersen, Jackie Pendergrass, Lauri Lehman, Nancy Thompson, Carmen Martin, Diane Crocker, Tom Klipfel, guest Mike Panico

- A. Current Members
  - a. Parents Lauri Lehman & Tom Klipfel, Amanda Andersen, Carmen Martin, Jackie Pendergrass, Steve Bell
  - b. New members – Welcome to Nancy Thompson (6<sup>th</sup> gr. Teacher rep.), & Diane Crocker (7/8<sup>th</sup> gr./parent rep)
  - c. There is room for 2 additional members & a student rep.
  - d. Officers -
    - i. President/Facilitator – Amanda
    - ii. Secretary - Lauri
- B. Passport Party – Criteria, Mr. Panico
  - a. School wide positive reinforcement celebration. Is this criterion working or not?
    - i. Seems good except for two points of discussion:
      - 1. “No more than 10 absences” may change this if child has fulfilled all other requirements and has excused absences.
      - 2. Missing assignments – this is subjective by teacher – what constitutes a missing assignment?
    - ii. Mr. Panico will take these suggestions to his passport committee for possible changes.
- C. Back to School Night – Sept. 23
  - a. Will be from 5pm-8pm at all schools. Students are encouraged to attend and tour with parents. Steve asked for suggestions for making chart easier to read.
- D. Parent Club
  - a. Amy Townley, Kiki Klipfel & Lauri Lehman met with Steve and will start a Parent Club in order to help parents get more involved with their kids and the school.
  - b. Will have a table at the Back to School night. Will start an email list of interested folks.
  - c. Group will help with fundraising & other tasks.
- E. Career Day?
  - a. Will this be the year for it? Yes.
  - b. It takes a lot of organization of people, guest speakers, etc.
  - c. Make sure people understand their career may not be chosen.
- F. Honor Roll Assembly 4.0 GPA
  - a. Changed last year to not specifically separate the 4.0 students by name. Some parents complained about this and would like to see it come back. They feel as though it is a special achievement and a goal to strive for so it should be rewarded.
  - b. After discussion, it was agreed to change it back to also mention 4.0 separately by name, but still in group by grade.
- G. Clothing Exchange – Lauri Lehman/SRF
  - a. At PES we had a very successful kids clothing and book exchange. Cindy Golston sent out fliers with the registration packets letting folks know about it. In the flier, she asked for clean, gently used children’s clothing and books and offered a few days for folks to bring them in. Pat & Leslie also had washed and dried all of the lost & found outerwear – which filled up two whole tables! I asked a few people to volunteer sorting the clothes

and then on the day of the event (registration day), many people came and “shopped”. Some brought clothes to leave in exchange and some didn’t. It took very little effort on anyone’s part and it was awesome. We are wondering if there is something we can do at PMS that could be the same type of thing?

- b. Yes, it would be great to try it at PMS. Maybe call it something different than exchange, maybe swap or back to school clothes, free, giveaway. Make sure the notice goes out in May newsletter.
- H. Agenda items for next meeting.
- a. End of year schedule.
  - b. Halloween party
- I. Next meetings will be on October 8<sup>th</sup> & November 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:15pm
- J. Adjourn at 4:37pm