

WALNUT ACRES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL MEETING

February 5, 2009

3:00 PM

Walnut Acres Library

MEETING MINUTES

Council Members Present: Colleen Dowd, Denise Calbeck, Laurie Chatoff, Ramah David, Jane Erdiakoff, Faye Mettler, Robin Piantidosi, Shannon Polkinghorn, and Mary Salmon.

I. Approval of Minutes:

Minutes were approved with the following correction: P.E.P. is taught in 2nd through 4th grades, if there are enough volunteers. Character Counts is the 5th grade program.

MOTION: To approve minutes from the January 8, 2009 meeting

Motion made by Ramah David

Second by Jane Erdiakoff

Motion passed with 9
approval votes

II. Old Business

Parking Lot Safety – Signage is in place.

Election timeline – PFC Nominating committee will include the parent or community members for the Site Council in their nominations.

III. New Business

PEP Update – The program has begun for the 4th grade. It is once a week for seven weeks. It is going very well.

Review of Bylaws – Dr. Dowd asked the members to review the Bylaws prior to the next meeting of the council.

ELAC Responsibilities – The council reviewed the ELAC Responsibilities – SSC Meeting Minutes Addendum. The addendum lists the legal requirements the SSC is legally required to cover during the school year. Four items were covered during this meeting and dated as completed.

Budget Transfer – Dr. Dowd requested that the \$4,300.00 allocated for Category 5210, Conferences, be moved to Category 1160, Extra Teacher Pay, for teacher collaboration days.

MOTION: To approve moving \$4,300.00 for Conference to Extra Teacher Pay category for teacher collaboration days.

Motion made by Denise Calbeck
Second By Robin Piantidosi
Motion passed with 9 approval votes

IV. Public Input:

Student Council – This years council is working on recycling and encouraging use of the recycle bins in the classrooms . Bins have been distributed to all classrooms and a pick-up schedule made. Ms. Bachecki is the advisor and the council meets twice a month.

Character Counts – After some scheduling difficulties, the 5th grade Character Counts program started on January 31st. Officer Olsen, the Police Liaison, is also spending time with the students at recess and lunch. Mrs. Mettler suggested that the Character Counts graduation at the Dean Leshner be promoted.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:00 p.m.
Next meeting is April 2, 2009 in Walnut Acres Library

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Salmon
Walnut Acres School Site Council Member